

Concentrates From
News of the Day

Washington, April 15.—The
for Colorado, showing Thursday
and probably Friday.

New York stocks generally steady with
a morning tendency until the close which
was weak.

Chicago grain active and strong.

LOCAL.

General Palmer makes another very sub-
stantial gift to the city.

Western is slated for the ap-
pointment of street commissioner.

International Bookbinders have been of-
fered site to build home in this city.

Meeting of chamber of commerce di-
rectors called to arrange for reception of
President Roosevelt.

Strang comments on new game law,
which Governor Peabody has signed.

Opening of Gloucester addition yesterday
occasion for big gathering of promi-
nent people.

Sheriff Gilbert files motions in damage
suit.

Judge Seeds denies motion to modify
injunction in Golden Cycle case.

Judge Seeds recalls litigation similar to
Golden Cycle case.

Ticket brokers will not be permitted to
sell seats to world's fair.

Art and literature department of Wom-
an's club elects officers.

Manager Edison of D. and R. G. talks
about improvements to system.

STATE.

As result of disagreement with policy
of President Palmer the entire faculty of
the State School of Mines has resigned.

Governor's advisory board has submitted
formal report relative to investigation of
Colorado city strike.

Special Examiner Scanlon charges that
former Chief Clerk Munnell of the
flat tax department of the state auditor's
office had confederated in his alleged em-
bezzlement.

Governor Peabody starts on eastern trip
today to attend the launching of the cruiser
Colorado at Philadelphia.

Burglars made unsuccessful effort to rob
Daniels bank on Sixteenth street, Denver.

GENERAL.

Exceptionally severe wind storm did
much damage along the New Jersey and
Long Island coasts.

Over 2,000 delegates are expected at the
Y. M. C. A. international conference
which will be held in Topeka, Kansas,
April 30 to May 3.

Manhattan elevated railway has refused
the demands of its employees for shorter
hours and increased pay.

Workmen kicked over lantern at one of
the oil wells on the Hogg-Swayne tract
in the Beaumont field and started a fire
which resulted in the loss of property val-
ued at \$100,000.

The ninth biennial convention of the
American committee confederated with
the World's Young Women's Christian
association is in session in Wilkesbarre,
Pennsylvania.

Negro tramp who killed a policeman,
was hanged by a mob in Joplin, Missouri.

Eight Italians who the police assert are
members of the Mafia and of a big
counterfeiting gang, were arrested in New
York by detectives of the central office,
staff in connection with death of a man
whose unidentified body was found
floating in a barrel Tuesday morning
at Eleventh street, near Avenue D.

Evidence adduced before the grand jury
in St. Louis was of a nature that several
state senators and representatives may be
indicted for perjury.

The campaign against the bandits in the
province of Albay has proved unsuccessful,
the leader of the bandits named Toled-
ado, evading a fight with the American
forces. The government is preparing to
mount another campaign.

The Mississippi river continues to fall
from Vicksburg to New Orleans and the
flood situation is improving.

Unable to determine with any definite-
ness the real cause for the recent de-
struction on the Iowa the board of investi-
gation appointed has recommended a me-
chanical and chemical test under the di-
rection of an expert board to establish the
cause of the metal of the burst gun.

William A. Sunday, known throughout
the country as a minister of the Pres-
byterian church, in the presence of 500
persons in the Jefferson Park Presbyterian
church tonight he was formally or-
dained.

The threatened strike of the Marine
package handlers at Chicago was averted
by a compromise.

TAFT'S HEALTH RESORT
IN THE PHILIPPINES

By Associated Press.

Washington, April 15.—Secretary Root
today revealed the following cable from
Governor Taft, who recently went from
Manila to Benguet, to recover his
health:

"Staid trip well. Rode horseback 25
miles to 5,000 feet. Had dysentery cured.
Great province. This only 150
miles from Manila with air as bracing
as Adirondacks or Murray bay. Only
plains and grass lands. Temperature
this last month in the Philippines
in my cottage porch at afternoon, 85.
Fires are necessary night and morning."

City Building Inspector E. G. Coray was in conference yesterday
with Attorneys Lombard and Kinsley, and they say no reply or
Bach will be forthcoming until the items charged against Coray are
enumerated in the report have been checked over. Coray has placed
his case entirely in the hands of his attorneys and the statement
will be prepared by them.

Coray returned to Colorado Springs Tuesday morning. After
resting all that day he appeared much better yesterday than at any
time since the investigation into his office began, and expressed him-
self as having had a delightful time at Glenwood Springs. Much
of his time was spent in the pool.

"Of course, Coray is worried somewhat over the criminal prosecu-
tion that has been brought against him," said one of his friends,
"but it is a mistake to suppose he is at all broken up. His attorneys
have assured him that he will be freed of the charges in court and
he faithfully kept his promise not to divulge what he knew in regard
to city affairs, on the agreement that he would be looked after by
the powers that be. His defense will be that he cannot legally be
held answerable as he had no authority given him to collect or
accept money for water rent on construction work, a matter which
should have been attended to by Water Commissioner Davis, and he
transgressed no duty pertaining to his office in doing so."

Coray's attorneys state the finance committee has not yet given
them a complete report of the investigation, only a fragmentary por-
tion.

The committee will proceed no further until a meeting can be had
with Coray, when a full explanation, if possible, will be asked in regard
to the shortage. It is probable Coray's statement, should the attorneys
deem it wise to prepare one, will be ready by Monday, so that it can
go before the city council with the report of the finance committee
that evening.

JOPLIN MOB RAIDED
THE NEGRO SECTION

Negro Tramp Was Lynched for Shooting a Police-
man and the Frenzied Mob Later Made a Gen-
eral Attack on the Negro Quarter---Officials
Powerless to Cope With the Rioters.

By Associated Press.

Joplin, Mo., April 15.—The lynching
of a negro tonight served to only tem-
porarily satisfy the indignation of the
mob, and later tonight hundreds of
men again assembled and rioted
through the negro section of the city,
burning houses and stoning negroes,
and finally drove every negro from the
center of Joplin. The police were
powerless.

The first act of the mob after hang-
ing the negro was to demand the re-
lease from jail of a local character
known as "Hickory Bill," who was
under arrest on the charge of assault-
ing a negro. In the hope that this
would appease the mob, the prisoner
was set free. But the mob did not
disperse. Instead, a rush was made
through Main street, the principal
street of Joplin, and every negro was
frightened off the street and fled to
the north part of the city where the
colored population resides. In this
way the negroes were driven from all
parts of the city to the negro section.
Then the mob charged down on the
section. Stones were thrown, doors
and windows of negro houses were
broken in and finally several houses

were fired. The department responded
but many of the houses were burned to
the ground. The mob made endeavors
to prevent the fire department from
extinguishing the flames and were par-
tially successful. All the officers of
the city, township and county were
called out but the mob swept them
aside and proceeded with the rioting.
Mayor Trigg ran from corner to cor-
ner, and mounting boxes made earnest
appeals to the mob to cease, but be-
hind cheering the mayor vociferously
the mob swept on and the depredations
continued. The saloons were hurriedly
closed by the mayor.

After the hundreds of frenzied men
composing the mob had vented their
wrath in the north end of the city they
rushed to the southern end where lived
a number of negroes. Their houses
were vacant and not a negro could be
found. Three more houses were fired
and two were consumed.

All efforts to reason with the rioters
were futile as apparently a frenzy had
seized upon them. The streets were
thronged and at 11:15 o'clock the whole
city was in an uproar. So far as known
at that hour no fatalities had occurred
although many persons had received
minor injuries.

MANHATTAN ELEVATED REFUSED
DEMANDS OF ITS EMPLOYEES

By Associated Press.

New York, April 15.—A crisis in the
negotiations between the employees of
the Manhattan Elevated railway and the
management was reached today
when a committee of employees present-
ed to the directors a demand for a nine-
hour working day and the latter re-
fused to grant it.

Whether the employees will resort with
a strike that will tie up every elevated
train in Manhattan, none of the rep-
resentatives of the employees will attempt
to predict, but before the meeting
pleading distress of the union of Man-
hattan employees, said:

"If the directors refuse our demands
we will call a meeting of all our mem-
bers tomorrow or next day, and from the

present feeling of the men this will
mean a strike."

The conference was held in the office
of August Belmont, president of the
Interborough Rapid Transit com-
pany, which owns the Manhattan sys-
tem. The employees had accepted pre-
vious concessions of the company as to
wages, but had voted that "it would be
nine hours or nothing."

They declare that in some instances
their work is divided over 19 hours.

After hearing these grievances of the
men, the directors adopted a resolution
rejecting the demands of the men "in-
asmuch as the present hours are as
short as and the rates of pay are high-
er than those of any other railroad sys-
tem in New York or other large cities."

YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN
ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE

By Associated Press.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., April 15.—The ninth
biennial convention of the American
committee of the World's Young Women's
Christian association opened this
afternoon with more than 300 delegates
and visitors in attendance. The ses-
sion opened Friday and Saturday mornings
will be devoted to this subject.

The non-attendance committee submitted
the following list of officers for the
convention:

President, Mrs. Frank B. Brown, Mil-
waukee; a number of vice presidents, in-
cluding Mrs. W. D. Fair, Seattle; sec-
retaries, Mrs. Elizabeth Wilson, Mrs.
Caroline Patch and Miss Julia Deane.
All were elected by unanimous vote.
Mrs. Frank B. Brown, the new presi-
dent, made a brief address. She
pleaded distress of the union of Man-
hattan employees, said:

President, Mrs. Margaret B. Sangster, the
eminent author and member of the
American committee, who delivered a
pleasing address on the progress of the
work. The chairman announced the
committees. One of the noted dele-
gates from abroad is Emily Kennard
of London, whose family was the foun-
der of the movement in England to aid
young working women by plans since

adopted by the Young Women's Chris-
tian association.

In connection with the work of the
convention it promises to be spirited
over the status of certain associations,
notably those of San Francisco and
other large cities, that are not affiliated
with the American committee. The ses-
sion closes Friday and Saturday mornings
will be devoted to this subject.

NEW YORK WILL SEND
REGIMENT TO ST. LOUIS

By Associated Press.

Albany, N. Y., April 15.—The bill ap-
propriating \$50,000 for the expenses for
the trip to the St. Louis fair on April
27, of Governor Odell, his staff and a
regiment of state militia, was passed
by the senate today. The measure had
been previously passed by the assem-
bly. The bill will authorize the gov-
ernor to make arrangements for the selection
of 1,000 picked troops from the National
guard, all of whom shall be selected for
their soldierly appearance, who shall act
as Governor Odell's personal escort to
the exposition.

LEE ROLLENS FOUND DEAD UNDER
BRIDGE AT RAILWAY CROSSING

Lee Rolles, a colored man, 50 years
old, was found dead under the Santa
Fe trestle at Bijou street, last night
about 10 o'clock. There was nothing to
point to the cause of his death and the
police have so far been unable to come
to any definite conclusion concerning it.
A post mortem will be held by the
coroner this morning to determine the
cause of death.

Rolles had been working at the Hill
Brick & Tile company at Colorado City
for the past few days as a hod carrier.
When last seen alive he was leaving the
home of William Lane, in the rear of
315 North El Paso street, at 9:30 last
night. He had gone to Lane's house for
the purpose of getting some letters
written. When found he had only two
slight bruises on his body, one on the
left temple and the other on the left
knee, and according to County Physi-
cian Richardson, neither one could have
resulted in his death unless he was
suffering from either apoplexy or heart
disease.

The police do not believe that he could
have been knocked off by a train, be-
cause there is no noise of any sort
to indicate a place where he might have
been struck.

Nose Was Bleeding.
His nose was bleeding slightly when
he was found and his pulse was still
beating. His body was found by several
boys who live in the neighborhood. They
notified the police department and the
patrol wagon was sent to the scene. He
was at once taken to the coroner's
where his pockets were searched, and a
thorough examination made for any
wounds or bruises. None was found,
however, with the exception of those al-
ready mentioned. Rolles had two let-
ters in his pocket that had been written
by Mrs. Lane, one of them addressed
to John Gray at 2556 Lawrence street,
and the other to his mother at 1911
Lafayette street, Denver. There was

ADDING TO
GRAND JURY
PETITIONS

The petitions for a grand jury
will all be filed in the office of
District Attorney Trowbridge
by the time Mr. Trowbridge and
Judge Cunningham return from
Cripple Creek the latter part of
this week.

Signatures are still being at-
tached, and in Colorado City
large lists have been circulated.
Among those signing in the
business section yesterday were
Andy Adams, the author of the
most recent western book, "The
Log of a Cowboy"; M. O. Barnes,
C. M. Hobbs, cattle dealer; Dr.
A. H. Garnett, Stephen M. Dun-
can and W. J. Hendrickson. Yes-
terday T. J. Black, deputy dis-
trict attorney Trowbridge what
lists he has received.

Just when the grand jury will
be called will be determined
upon the arrival of the district
attorney and the judges. The
character of the work the jury
will take up is such that sev-
eral weeks' time will be re-
quired and the question is being
asked by attorneys if it is ex-
pedient to call the grand jury
now or at the opening of the
new term of the district court.
May 19.

GERMAN MARTINET IS
TO BE TRIED FOR MURDER

By Associated Press.

Berlin, April 15.—A court martial has
been ordered to try Ensign Hussner,
of the German navy, who, on Good Fri-
day, killed an artilleryman named Hart-
man, with his sword, at Essen, for not
saluting him properly, according to
Hussner's version of the affair. Hart-
man was a former schoolmate of Hus-
sner and the latter avers that the ar-
tilleryman attempted gross familiarity
in trying to shake hands with him after

PLANS FOR A BIG
Y.M.C.A. CONFERENCE

By Associated Press.
Topeka, Kas., April 15.—The
committee in charge of the Y.
M. C. A. international confer-
ence which will be held in this
city from April 30 to May 3, an-
nounced today that over 2,000
delegates were expected. For-
eign delegates to the number of
100 or more, will be here. Presi-
dent Bailey of the Santa Fe an-
nounces that a special train will
be run from Chicago for the ac-
commodation of the delegates.

he Hussner had arrested Hartman for
the infamy of his salute. Then
Hussner adds, Hartman started to run
and the ensign thrust him through the
back with his sword, afterwards say-
ing: "When I draw my sword blood
must flow."

Hussner has written to Hartman's
mother saying it was "Duty as a Prus-
sian officer," required him to act as he
did.

In Hussner's notebook were the names
of several private who must have been
reported by the ensign for not saluting
him as respectfully as he desired.

OMAHA POLICE CONTINUE
THE SEARCH FOR KNIGHT

By Associated Press.

Omaha, April 15.—There were no new
developments of importance today in
the Knight mystery and the case has
settled down to the work of two search-
ing parties—one for Frank E. Knight
and the other for the body of his wife.
The police of Omaha feel that the
manner in which Knight is sup-
posed to have evaded the authorities at
Cheyenne, but efforts to secure his cap-
ture were renewed today.

Seven investigators are now on the lo-
cation of the body of the supposed dead
woman have been followed today, but
without success. The latest is a report
that a wagon containing two men was
seen late Saturday night near the river
in North Omaha. Detectives have found
where a wagon was driven to the riv-
er's edge and turned sharply. They be-
lieve this find will develop something
before tomorrow.

Angela, relative of Mrs. Knight have
telegraphed and written Chief Donahue
for information about the missing wo-
man and all have notified him that they
have had no letter from her for 10 days.

MILLION DOLLAR FIRE
IN BEAUMONT OIL FIELD

By Associated Press.

Beaumont, Texas, April 15.—A careless workman kicked over a
lantern at one of the Caldwell oil wells on block 38, Hogg-Swayne
tract on Spindle Top, this morning, and started a fire that resulted in
the loss of property valued at \$1,000,000 and the bankruptcy of 20
or more of the smaller companies. There were 175 wells on the
three blocks of the tract and only five of the derricks and pumps are
left standing. Every company that had property in the Hogg-Swayne
tract is a loser. The fire swept the three blocks, covered with der-
ricks and pump houses, clear of all its buildings. The derricks left
are on the edges and are few and far between. None of the com-
panies had a cent of insurance. No settling or storage tanks were
burned, as there were none on the Hogg-Swayne tract.

The fire started near the southern edge of block 38 and spread
three ways. Pumping stations, derricks and pipe lines all fell before
it. Large engines and thick pipe melted in the heat. It is estimated
that 170 of the wells sustained an average direct loss of \$3,000. This is
exclusive of half a million dollars more, the aggregate loss in pro-
duction and other indirect damages.

Fifty or more wells probably are ruined by the dropping of tubing
into them as a result of the fire. Among the losers are:
London Oil and Pipe Line company, Caldwell Oil company, Spindle
Top Power company, Central Power and Equipment company, Pumping
Stations Dividend Oil company, Detroit-Beaumont, Palestine-Beaumont,
Sun company, Advance Oil company, Queen City, Queen of Waco,
Drummers, Alamo, Buckeye, Ground Floor, Manhattan, Borealis, and
Buffalo.

All pumping rigs, derricks and pipe line equipments were de-
stroyed. Extensive losses were sustained by owners of drilling rigs,
among whom were H. B. Ford, Cartwright Oil company, John Markham
and J. W. Ennis. Mr. Ennis estimates his loss at \$15,000 and others at
from \$1,000 to \$4,000. The Texas, Sun, London Oil and Pipe Line,
Guffey, Higgins and other companies lost heavily through damage to
their pipe lines. The Haywood tract was saved only after hard work.

The Theory Is That Fall
Killed Him but Post
Mortem Will Be Held
Today.

also a letter addressed to him from his
mother.

The letter from his mother asked him
to come to Denver and take care of
her. She stated in it that she was
nearly 85 years old, that she was getting
crippled and was unable to do anything
for herself. The letter to Gray was
opened and in it Rolles had told him
he was going to Denver Saturday to
look after his mother, and asked Gray
to get him a room. His pockets were
searched but not a cent was found. He
had a cheap silver watch which was
still running when he was picked up.

According to information received at
police headquarters the dead man had
lived in Colorado Springs only about six
months, having come here from Ken-
tucky. He worked steadily whenever
he could get anything to do and at one
time worked on the new court
house building. He was a powerful
man, being over six feet tall and weigh-
ing over 200 pounds.
One theory of the police is that Rolles
was on his way to the postoffice to mail
the letters, and was crossing the trestle
under which he was found, when an
engine came along and he stepped to
one side to avoid it and fell off the
bridge. He was on the best of terms
with all his friends and there seems to
be no ground for suspecting foul play.
Coroner Law and County Physician
Richardson will hold a post mortem ex-

amination this morning for the purpose
of making an examination of his brain
and heart.

During Rolles' stay here he boarded
with Frank Massey at 121 West Coit
street. When seen last night, Massey
stated that he had been with Rolles at
the Newport club about 8 o'clock, when
he left, saying he was going to see Lane.
"I am unable to account for his death,"
he said, "except on the ground of acci-
dent. He was not a drinking man, and
he had no enemies who would seek to do
him harm. He was in the best of health
and had nothing worrying him that
would cause him to commit suicide. He
did not work much during the winter,
but secured a position several days ago
at Colorado City."

Said He Felt Sleepy.
The family of William Lane at 315
North El Paso street, was not notified
of Rolles' death until 1 o'clock this
morning. Lane was shocked and could
not believe it possible. From the
story of Rolles' visit told by them an-
other element creeps into the mysterious
death which points to some organic
trouble, and throws doubt on the acci-
dent theory. Mrs. Lane is a compar-
atively rapid writer and Rolles had been
at the house but a short time before
he appeared to be in a hurry and stated,
"Hurry up, I am getting sleepy."

Mrs. Lane, who wrote the two let-
ters found in the pocket of the coat
worn by the dead man, remembers that
Rolles pulled out his watch just as he
was leaving the house and remarked
on the time.
"It was 9:30 o'clock," said Mrs. Lane.
"I remember the circumstance because
he remarked the hour. He was here
but a short time and nothing seemed
to be the matter with him except his
remark that he was becoming sleepy."
This was somewhat surprising, as he
was bright and cheery and appeared to
relish the idea of leaving for Denver
next Sunday. We had known him only
a few months.

WILL NOT PROSECUTE
THE SMUGGLING CASES

Further Instructions to United States Attorney in
Porto Rico Direct Him to Perform His Usual
Functions Before Grand Jury if Called
Upon to Do So.

By Associated Press.

Washington, April 15.—The attention
of the officials of the department of Jus-
tice was called today to the published
dispatch from San Juan, P. R., to the
effect that the United States attorney
there had declined to prosecute crim-
inally a number of army and navy offi-
cers for alleged smuggling, explaining
his action by the statement that he was
acting under instructions from Wash-
ington.

The incident was in a measure ex-
plained by the statement that the de-
partment of justice today received a
dispatch from the United States at-
torney at San Juan stating that the
judge having jurisdiction of the smug-
gling cases had instructed the grand
jury to proceed with the investigation
notwithstanding the order of the de-
partment of justice to the United States
attorney not to prosecute them. The
United States attorney asked for fur-
ther instructions, to which the depart-
ment today sent the following reply:

"Your duty is to obey my instructions
to dismiss pending smuggling cases and
present no new cases until otherwise
directed. Considerations of moment
not confined to Porto Rico or individ-
uals involved have moved administra-
tion, after full investigation and delib-
eration, to course directed which will
be adhered to. But if judge calls upon
you or court requests you will perform
your usual functions before grand jury."

The fact that government may not or
will not prosecute if indictments are
found does not prevent consideration by
grand jury."

By Associated Press.

San Juan, P. R., April 15.—The grand
jury today called many witnesses in
the smuggling cases in which officers of
the United States navy and other
prominent men are involved and secured
from the court who presided at the
former hearings a copy of the testimony
taken.

The prisoners who are confined in the
penitentiary for smuggling have pre-
sented a petition requesting that they
be pardoned and released unless other
guilty of the same offense are punished.

Two more officials were arrested at
Mayaguez today in connection with the
money frauds there.

The bail of Superintendent of Works
Baez of Mayaguez, arrested April 8,
charged with frauds amounting from
\$10,000 to \$20,000, has been fixed at \$35,-
000. Baez was not secured.
The insular police force sent on April
13 by Governor Hunt to take possession
of Mayaguez, and supplant the munic-
ipal police there for the greater protec-
tion of good government has not
reached Mayaguez owing to the bad
state of the roads and will be unable to
take possession of that city until to-
morrow when, probably many arrests
will follow.

FORMAL REPORT OF THE
STRIKE ADVISORY BOARD

Matters in Dispute Having Been

Adjusted by the Parties Them-
selves, the Board Expresses the
Opinion That It Is Unnecessary
to Deal With the Causes Leading
Up to the Strike.

Special to the Gazette.

Denver, April 15.—The advisory board
appointed last month by Governor Pea-
body to investigate the strike at Colo-
rado City filed with the governor this
afternoon a report of the board's find-
ings. On May 18 it will be the duty
of the board to judge as to whether both
parties to the agreement have lived up
to the terms of settlement. The report
is as follows:

"To His Excellency James H. Peabody,
Governor of Colorado, Denver, Colo.
"Sir.—The advisory board appointed
by your excellency on the 26th day of
March last to investigate the strike of
the millmen at Colorado City and the
resulting boycott of certain Cripple
Creek mines respectfully reports:

"That said board was duly organized
upon the 21st day of March, 1903 by the
election of a chairman and the appoint-
ment of a stenographer and immedi-
ately thereafter proceeded to take evidence
in the city of Denver. After hearing the
evidence of all the witnesses attending
in this city an adjournment was taken
to the seat of the trouble at Colorado
City in El Paso county, Colo., at which
later point the hearing was resumed,
and continued until the first day of
April, upon which last date mentioned
the taking of evidence was completed.
"The board in this investigation heard
the evidence and took the statements of
upwards of 60 persons. It also visited
the Standard mill of the United States
Smelting and Refining company at
Colorado City and held private confer-
ences with many of the men therein
employed.

"The board was impressed from the
start with the imminent danger threat-
ened to the commercial and industrial
interests of our state by this strike
and sought in every way possible to
prevent the strike from spreading and
extending into other trades and in new
localities and labored to induce the
principal parties together and adjust
their differences.

Valuable Aid Rendered.

"In this effort your board was ma-

terially aided by a committee appointed
for the purpose by the business men
of the Cripple Creek district, and our
efforts were seconded by the members of
the Western Federation of Miners in
that district, who sent to Colorado City
to aid in the settlement of the trouble
the representatives of each of the 14
local unions in the Cripple Creek dis-
trict.

"It was the belief of the board from
the first that if Mr.

"It has come to our knowledge that certain cases of smuggling have occurred."

ted. We have asked the district attorney about the matter and he refused to bring up the matter, although we have asked him for instructions. We now ask the judge if we have a right to information in spite of the district attorney's refusal. The judge then said that the district attorney had prepared a written charge, that the judge had caused a sensation. He said in part:

"When you were impaneled at the beginning of the term you swore that you would observe the integrity of such matters given to you or which might otherwise come to your knowledge touching violations of the statutes of the United States and that you would not give aid, comfort, counsel, hatred, favor, envy, affection or reward through how thereof. You could not, if you desired, escape from the obligation with which you were invested by the oath and the instructions of the honor. The president of the United States could pardon but he could not interfere. If you believe that anyone has given instructions leading to the fact that investigation into the commission of

a crime in the United States and the returning of an indictment, if the evidence so warrants, then you should be

inspired by an additional determination to do your duty. The court has knowledge of the instructions to which you have been subjected, and it is proper to say that it is my opinion that there has been no intention of encroaching upon your sworn duty."

The testimony submitted last December regarding the smuggling cases of the army, navy and insular government, and citizens implicated in the charges.

AN HORROR MONSTER.

By Associated Press.

Victoria, B. C., April 14.—Officials of the cable station at Bamfield Creek are sponsors for a story that a serpent from 10 to 15 feet long and with a head like a horse, has been seen off the station. The cable operators say, in letters to the local newspapers, that incidentally, but as parting with the excitement of a sea serpent, but the stories were not credited. David Osborne, one of the outcasts, says that a week ago the animal was seen from the cable station to swim out of the mouth of the Bamfield creek into Barclay sound.

Mr. Godson, of the cable staff, says that when he first saw the animal it looked like a massive snake, but that it had a horse's head elevated and the big serpent moved off toward the sea. Mr. Godson says it moved off with the speed of a torpedo boat. On April 10 an

✱ Indian saw the thing and was so ✱
✱ frightened that he ran his canoe ✱
✱ into the breakers, left it and fled ✱

along the beach to the cable station. The third had a head shaped like a horse, and its body, 10 feet of which was lifted, was the size of a barrel. The Indians in the neighborhood are terrified.

**OUTLAW M KINNEY HAS
ELUDED HIS PURSUERS.**

By Associated Press.

Bakersfield, Calif., April 11.—Nothing further has come to hand tonight from Kernville in regard to the pursuit of James McKinney, the outlaw now somewhere in the vicinity of that village. Oliver Thaxter, Jr., who keeps a store near Onyx, a few miles from Kernville, is here and reports that he saw and talked with the fugitive Sunday, the outlaw stopping at his place a few minutes. He had his two horses at that time. On Monday morning a posse met him at Keyesville and a running fight ensued, the outlaw making up the number of the posse with two horses. Sheriff Kelly has been notified from Landsburg that Sheriff Levin of Arizona will come by train to Bakersfield and proceed onward to the front. Officers from the state to accompany City Marshal Packard and Deputy Sheriff Tibbets have gone out tonight to join the man hunt. Many wild rumors of the outlaw being wounded or killed or captured from the state, but investigation fails to verify them.

**OFFICIAL REPORT ON THE
ACCIDENT TO THE IOWA.**

By Associated Press.

Washington, April 12.—Admiral Higginson's report to the navy department upon the fatal explosion last Thursday on the Iowa, shows that a defective shell was the cause.

"I regret to inform the department of the sad accident which happened on board the Iowa while at target practice today at 12:30 o'clock. When on her target practice the Iowa fired with her 14-inch gun, the muzzle blew off and the pieces from it penetrated the three decks underneath, killing three men and wounding four others. That portion of

the ship was thoroughly wrecked. I have sent her to the navy yard for temporary repairs and burial of the dead, and I have to recommend that she

It appears that the accident was not caused by the gun crew, as the following statements of some witnesses state that they saw the shell strike near the target. In none of the pieces into which the muzzle of the gun broke up are the grooves indented or scored as in the case of a bursting shell. As the gun informed, it had been fired 125 times previous to the discharge in which the accident occurred."

Captain Perry's letter attached, simply states the names of the victims of the explosion.

Another report from Rear Admiral Higginson dated April 11, regarding the explosion on board the Iowa, gives the following details of the gun's condition in the explosion:

"As the third shot was fired, the explosion, muzzle was blown to pieces from one foot within. Clear and regular break. Remainder of tube showed 22 cracks about six feet. No sign excessive strain. No escape of gases at breech; no hang fire. Primer extruded perfectly; not damaged. Condition of loading and firing, nominal. Gun has been fired 127 times, full charges smokeless powder. No other defects are known to have existed in gun."

From this report it is suggested that the gun may have undergone a severe

strain at some time and therefore had reached its limit of endurance. The Iowa had not been overhauled for a long time

while having been in commission the
last time for five years, on arrival at
New York, all her guns will be tested.

HARRISON'S PLURALITY.
By Associated Press.
Chicago, April 12.—Mayor Harrison's
plurality over Graeme Stewart is fixed
by the official canvass at 7,679 votes,
the mayor having secured 146,208 to
Stewart's 138,529. The official count
shows in no change in any of the other
offices.

PROF. CHEETER DEAD.
New Brunswick N. J., April 13.—Al-
bert C. Cheeter, chairman of the geologi-
cal museum and professor of chemistry
and mineralogy at Rutgers college, died
today of pneumonia. He was 68 years of

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1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028, 2029, 2030, 2031, 2032, 2033, 2034, 2035, 2036, 2037, 2038, 2039, 2040, 2041, 2042, 2043, 2044, 2045, 2046, 2047, 2048, 2049, 2050, 2051, 2052, 2053, 2054, 2055, 2056, 2057, 2058, 2059, 2060, 2061, 2062, 2063, 2064, 2065, 2066, 2067, 2068, 2069, 2070, 2071, 2072, 2073, 2074, 2075, 2076, 2077, 2078, 2079, 2080, 2081, 2082, 2083, 2084, 2085, 2086, 2087, 2088, 2089, 2090, 2091, 2092, 2093, 2094, 2095, 2096, 2097, 2098, 2099, 2100, 2101, 2102, 2103, 2104, 2105, 2106, 2107, 2108, 2109, 2110, 2111, 2112, 2113, 2114, 2115, 2116, 2117, 2118, 2119, 2120, 2121, 2122, 2123, 2124, 2125, 2126, 2127, 2128, 2129, 2130, 2131, 2132, 2133, 2134, 2135, 2136, 2137, 2138, 2139, 2140, 2141, 2142, 2143, 2144, 2145, 2146, 2147, 2148, 2149, 2150, 2151, 2152, 2153, 2154, 2155, 2156, 2157, 2158, 2159, 2160, 2161, 2162, 2163, 2164, 2165, 2166, 2167, 2168, 2169, 2170, 2171, 2172, 2173, 2174, 2175, 2176, 2177, 2178, 2179, 2180, 2181, 2182, 2183, 2184, 2185, 2186, 2187, 2188, 2189, 2190, 2191, 2192, 2193, 2194, 2195, 2196, 2197, 2198, 2199, 2200, 2201, 2202, 2203, 2204, 2205, 2206, 2207, 2208, 2209, 2210, 2211, 2212, 2213, 2214, 2215, 2216, 2217, 2218, 2219, 2220, 2221, 2222, 2223, 2224, 2225, 2226, 2227, 2228, 2229, 2230, 2231, 2232, 2233, 2234, 2235, 2236, 2237, 2238, 2239, 2240, 2241, 2242, 2243, 2244, 2245, 2246, 2247, 2248, 2249, 2250, 2251, 2252, 2253, 2254, 2255, 2256, 2257, 2258, 2259, 2260, 2261, 2262, 2263, 2264, 2265, 2266, 2267, 2268, 2269, 2270, 2271, 2272, 2273, 2274, 2275, 2276, 2277, 2278, 2279, 2280, 2281, 2282, 2283, 2284, 2285, 2286, 2287, 2288, 2289, 2290, 2291, 2292, 2293, 2294, 2295, 2296, 2297, 2298, 2299, 2300, 2301, 2302, 2303, 2304, 2305, 2306, 2307, 2308, 2309, 2310, 2311, 2312, 2313, 2314, 2315, 2316, 2317, 2318, 2319, 2320, 2321, 2322, 2323, 2324, 2325, 2326, 2327, 2328, 2329, 2330, 2331, 2332, 2333, 2334, 2335, 2336, 2337, 2338, 2339, 2340, 2341, 2342, 2343, 2344, 2345, 2346, 2347, 2348, 2349, 2350, 2351, 2352, 2353, 2354, 2355, 2356, 2357, 2358, 2359, 2360, 2361, 2362, 2363, 2364, 2365, 2366, 2367, 2368, 2369, 2370, 2371, 2372, 2373, 2374, 2375, 2376, 2377, 2378, 2379, 2380, 2381, 2382, 2383, 2384, 2385, 2386, 2387, 2388, 2389, 2390, 2391, 2392, 2393, 2394, 2395, 2396, 2397, 2398, 2399, 2400, 2401, 2402, 2403, 2404, 2405, 2406, 2407, 2408, 2409, 2410, 2411, 2412, 2413, 2414, 2415, 2416, 2417, 2418, 2419, 2420, 2421, 2422, 2423, 2424, 2425, 2426, 2427, 2428, 2429, 2430, 2431, 2432, 2433, 2434, 2435, 2436, 2437, 2438, 2439, 2440, 2441, 2442, 2443, 2444, 2445, 2446, 2447, 2448, 2449, 2450, 2451, 2452, 2453, 2454, 2455, 2456, 2457, 2458, 2459, 2460, 2461, 2462, 2463, 2464, 2465, 2466, 2467, 2468, 2469, 2470, 2471, 2472, 2473, 2474, 2475, 2476, 2477, 2478, 2479, 2480, 2481, 2482, 2483, 2484, 2485, 2486, 2487, 2488, 2489, 2490, 2491, 2492, 2493, 2494, 2495, 2496, 2497, 2498, 2499, 2500, 2501, 2502, 2503, 2504, 2505, 2506, 2507, 2508, 2509, 2510, 2511, 2512, 2513, 2514, 2515, 2516, 2517, 2518, 2519, 2520, 2521, 2522, 2523, 2524, 2525, 2526, 2527, 2528, 2529, 2530, 2531, 2532, 2533, 2534, 2535, 2536, 2537, 2538, 2539, 2540, 2541, 2542, 2543, 2544, 2545, 2546, 2547, 2548, 2549, 2550, 2551, 2552, 2553, 2554, 2555, 2556, 2557, 2558, 2559, 2560, 2561, 2562, 2563, 2564, 2565, 2566, 2567, 2568, 2569, 2570, 2571, 2572, 2573, 2574, 2575, 2576, 2577, 2578, 2579, 2580, 2581, 2582, 2583, 2584, 2585, 2586, 2587, 2588, 2589, 2590, 2591, 2592, 2593, 2594, 2595, 2596, 2597, 2598, 2599, 2600, 2601, 2602, 2603, 2604, 2605, 2606, 2607, 2608, 2609, 2610, 2611, 2612, 2613, 2614, 2615, 2616, 2617, 2618, 2619, 2620, 2621, 2622, 2623, 2624, 2625, 2626, 2627, 2628, 2629, 2630, 2631, 2632, 2633, 2634, 2635, 2636, 2637, 2638, 2639, 2640, 2641, 2642, 2643, 2644, 2645, 2646, 2647, 2648, 2649, 2650, 2651, 2652, 2653, 2654, 2655, 2656, 2657, 2658, 2659, 2660, 2661, 2662, 2663, 2664, 2665, 2666, 2667, 2668, 2669, 2670, 2671, 2672, 2673, 2674, 2675, 2676, 2677, 2678, 26

Last Will and Testament

OF
WINFIELD SCOTT STRATTON

SINCE the settlement of the Stratton will contest many requests, have been made for the republication of the will. In response to these requests the Gazette prints the document once more in full:

Know all men by these presents, that I, Winfield S. Stratton, of the city of Colorado Springs, in the county of El Paso, state of Colorado, being in full possession of all my faculties and of sound and disposing mind and memory, do hereby make, publish, acknowledge and declare my last will and testament, hereby revoking any and all other and former wills by me at any time heretofore made.

First: I hereby direct that my remains shall be buried in the lot owned by me in the Evergreen cemetery at Colorado Springs, El Paso county, Colorado, by the side of my sister, Mrs. Anna Chamberlin, and that a suitable monument be placed there to mark my final resting place; and that my funeral and burial expenses and all just debts and liabilities shall be first paid out of my estate.

Second: I hereby give and bequeath unto my nephew, Carl Stratton Chamberlin, of New York, all my household furniture, including all articles of my personal apparel, jewelry and ornaments, heirlooms, securities, cabinets of mineral and curios, pictures and paintings, and all books, papers, manuscripts, letters and documents of which I shall die seized. This bequest does not include my general personal property, money, credits or evidences of indebtedness, contracts, abstracts, muniments of title or other documents that may be useful to my executors in the settlement and distribution of my estate.

Third: I direct the residue and remainder of the estate of which I may die seized of whatsoever nature, real, personal or mixed and wherever situated, I give, devise and bequeath unto my executors hereinafter named, in trust, however, to be used and disposed of by them in the manner hereinafter stated.

Fourth: I direct that my said executors shall, as soon as they conveniently can, and within the period required by law, after my decease, sell and dispose of all the real and personal estate of which I may die seized and which is by this will vested in them in trust, at such price and upon such terms as to them or to the majority of them shall seem most advantageous, hereby giving and granting unto my said executors or unto the majority of them full power and authority to make, execute and deliver to the purchasers such proper deeds and instruments of conveyance, acquittance, relinquishment and transfer as may be necessary to vest in the purchasers full title to the property so sold and disposed of.

Fifth: I direct my said executors to pay over and deliver to my nephew, Earl W. Hamlin, son of my deceased sister, Mrs. Harriet N. Hamlin of Jeffersonville, Clark county, Indiana, the full sum of fifty thousand (\$50,000) dollars out of the proceeds of my said estate.

And to my nephew, Harry B. Hamlin, son of my said sister, Mrs. Harriet N. Hamlin, the full sum of fifty thousand (\$50,000) dollars, out of the proceeds of my said estate.

And if either of said legatees be deceased at the time of my decease or before the payment of said legacies as herein directed, I direct my said executors to pay the full sum of fifty thousand (\$50,000) dollars, out of the proceeds of my said estate, to the heirs at law of such deceased legatee.

Sixth: I direct my said executors to pay to my sister, Mrs. Jennie Stratton Cobb, of San Jose, Santa Clara county, California, the full sum of fifty thousand (\$50,000) dollars out of the proceeds of my said estate.

And to my niece, Lillian S. Cobb, daughter of my said sister, Mrs. Jennie Stratton Cobb, the full sum of fifty thousand (\$50,000) dollars, out of the proceeds of my said estate.

And if any of said legatees be deceased at the time of my decease or before the payment of said legacies as herein directed, I direct my said executors to pay to the heirs at law, of such deceased legatee, the whole amount of the legacy of such deceased legatee.

Seventh: I direct my said executors to pay to my niece, Elma Pearl Chamberlin, the daughter of my deceased sister, Mrs. Anna Chamberlin, said niece being now of No. 315 East Sixteenth street, Brooklyn, New York, the full sum of fifty thousand (\$50,000) dollars out of the proceeds of my said estate.

Tenth: I direct my said executors to pay to the trustees of the "Institute for the Education of Mute and Blind," located at the city of Colorado Springs, in the county of El Paso, and state of Colorado, the full sum of twenty-five thousand (\$25,000) dollars, out of the proceeds of my said estate, in trust, however, for the following purposes: Said sum shall be invested by said trustees in good and safe interest-bearing securities, interest to be paid thereon to said trustees annually or semi-annually, as they shall direct, and such interest shall be paid by them to the superintendent of said institute and by him annually distributed among the pupils of said institute as rewards for such excellence in scholarship or demeanor or such as may be prescribed or required by the said trustees.

Eleventh: I hereby direct that, in the event of any of the foregoing legacies and bequests lapsing or becoming void under decree of court or under any other circumstance whatsoever, such lapsing or becoming void shall not operate to deprive the residue of my estate, and shall become a part of the residue of my estate, and shall be paid by my said executors to the residuary legatee of this will.

Twelfth: I direct my said executors, after the full payment and satisfaction of all the several legacies and bequests hereinbefore given, devised and bequeathed to the several persons and institutions named herein and after the payment of all of the legal and just costs, charges and expenses arising from the collection, preservation, settlement and distribution of my estate, to pay over all the rest, residue and remainder of my said estate, of each and every kind and character and wheresoever situated, unto Dr. D. H. Rice, Moses Hall and Tyson S. Dines, in trust, however, for the following purposes: All sums of money so received by said trustees from my said executors shall be invested as speedily as possible in safe interest-bearing securities which shall be selected by them with special care for the preservation thereof without loss or depreciation of the principal sum so invested and for the securing of as large an income therefrom as may be consistent with the safety and preservation of the sums so invested.

After the payment of all legal and just costs and expenses connected with the execution of said trust, including suitable and just compensation to said trustees, to be allowed and approved by the district court of El Paso county, Colorado, I direct said trustees to pay over and deliver to the trustees of a corporation to be created and organized by me during my lifetime or by them after my decease, under the laws of the state of Colorado, for charitable purposes only, the name of which shall be "The Myron Stratton Home." In memory of my father, all the property, moneys, credits, notes, bonds, mortgages and evidences of debt of every kind whatsoever remaining in their hands to be applied to the carrying out of the objects and purposes of such corporation as follows:

The purpose for which said corporation shall be created and to which this bequest is devoted is and shall be the erection, furnishing and maintenance of a free home for poor persons who are without means of support and who are physically unable by reason of old age, youth, blindness or other infirmity to take care of themselves and who are not by reason of disease, insanity, gross indecency or immorality unfit to associate with worthy persons of the community in life above named. The inmates of said home shall be selected by the board of trustees of said corporation, first from poor persons of the condition above stated, who are actual residents of the county of El Paso in the state of Colorado, and second, from any poor persons who are unable to support themselves and who are not by reason of disease, insanity, gross indecency or immorality unfit to associate with worthy persons of the community in life above named. The inmates of said home shall be provided with food, clothing and shelter, and shall be provided with medical attendance, care and nursing to protect their health and insure their comfort.

And that no inmate of said home shall be constrained against his or her will to perform any manual service for any inmate of said home not related to him or her by blood or marriage, nor for any officer or employee of said home; nor shall any of such inmates be constrained to perform any manual labor when physically unable to do so.

And full and specific rules, regulations and directions shall be contained in the by-laws of the said "The Myron Stratton Home," relating to the regulation and conduct of said home and the inspection, auditing and approval of the accounts and disbursements of the superintendent of said home and of the trustees thereof so that the said home may be guarded and protected in every way against wasteful, extravagant and improper management and said trust funds fully protected and conserved for the uses and purposes herein named.

Thirteenth: In the event of the lapse of the bequest of the residue of my estate as contained in subdivision "Twelfth" hereof, or in the event that said bequest should, by final judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction held to be illegal or void, then and in that event I direct my said executors to pay over and deliver to the state of Colorado all of that portion of my estate included in the bequest of the residue and remainder thereof, which shall so be appropriated and applied in such manner as the legislature of said state shall direct to the support of such charitable and benevolent institutions as are now supported at the expense of the state of Colorado.

Fourteenth: I hereby nominate and appoint Carl S. Chamberlin, Dr. D. H. Rice and Tyson S. Dines to be the executors of this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have with full knowledge of all the contents of the foregoing instrument hereto set my hand and seal and have signed, sealed, acknowledged, published and declared the same to be my last will and testament and acknowledged the signature hereto to be my genuine signature written by myself, in the presence of the persons subscribing hereto as witnesses, and have requested them to attest the same as my last will and testament and to attest my signature hereto at Colorado Springs, Colorado, this fifth day of August, A. D. 1901.

Winfield S. Stratton. (Seal)

The foregoing instrument was, at the date thereof, by the testator, Winfield S. Stratton, signed, sealed, published and declared by him to be his genuine signature, written by himself, in our presence and hearing, and we, at his request and in his presence and in the presence of each other have subscribed our names hereto as attesting witnesses. And we further state that the said testator was at the time of the making and signing of said instrument of sound and disposing mind and memory.

D. H. Rice,
Whose postoffice address is Colorado Springs, Colo.

Wm. Lloyd,
Whose postoffice address is Colorado Springs, Colo.

Orville L. Dines,
Whose postoffice address is Equitable Bldg., Denver, Colo.

our American cities. No task in the floral world has proved so difficult to accomplish. The trick of learning how to land on the Atlantic seaboard at just the right moment these millions of flowers has been a costly one. Thousands of dollars and blasted blossoms beyond number have had to be sacrificed. Most of the responsibility, however, has to be shouldered nowadays by the grower in Bermuda, although the express companies must step up and settle if any unnecessary delay or any lack of proper care occurs while the flowers are in transit. In shipping their goods the growers are called upon to carefully inspect each plant and bud, throwing out all those that are not in prime condition, and forwarding only the ones that are perfect in every respect. Despite these precautionary measures there is still left more of the speculative element in the lily trade than in almost any other branch of business. Even the most experienced and skilled Bermuda planter will tell you that he has nursed his posies along this year exactly; so far as he knows, the same way he did last season, and yet against all explainable reasons they have refused to mature in time for the Easter trade or have matured too soon. A few days one way or the other in bringing his lilies into condition means all the difference between profitable success and absolute failure with him. There are no half-way stages in his business. If his output is not ready at the very moment he wants it, he might as well have raised scarecrows in his fields as lilies.

A bad storm or two on the Atlantic in March is as serious a thing as can well happen to the Easter lily trade. It is certain to throw out of schedule the transportation facilities, and a steamer that is unable to sail from Bermuda on time or that reaches New York when Easter is a thing of the past, can do scarcely more than to throw its erstwhile precious cargo overboard. It is unforeseen events of this nature, together with the occasional utter failure on the part of the growers to force their plants into season, that causes the American lily-buying public to resent on some Easters the seemingly exorbitant prices that are charged.

Although the regular Bermuda lily holds away throughout the land as the saint among flowers for Eastertide, the old-fashioned calla lily is still much in evidence and much in favor. In the west and middle west, where the Bermuda blossoms cannot readily reach, its vogue is undisputed. Southern California is as famous for the culture of this variety as Bermuda is for the other type. Unlike the over-sea lily, the calla cannot stand much crowding. If any particular plant fails to receive its full quota of soil and sunshine, it becomes at once a weak, sprawling affair, destitute alike of beauty and blossoms. When well cared for, however, as it is in the many splendid hedges that surround so frequently Pacific residences, it is a thing over which no other lily can boast superiority.

It is possible in the near future that the laurels of lily growing may be snatched away from the Bermuda gentry. Of late years, along the coast of the Carolinas and in certain sections of Florida, the government has been quietly experimenting with lily culture against the possibility of growing them in this country. No small measure of success has attended these efforts. The proper soil and a favorable climate has been found in many localities, and if the department of agriculture succeeds in making its plants ripen simultaneously or ahead of the over-sea product, the Bermuda monopoly will be a thing of the past.—(Warren Harper in the Pilgrim.

While the craze of giving and collecting souvenirs on every possible occasion is generally looked upon as being exclusively American, yet in one respect at least Russian women beat the American women out. Among the Russian aristocrats the custom of giving and collecting Easter eggs is universally followed, and some women have carried it to an almost extravagant extreme. Both the dowager empress of Russia and the young zarina have become collectors of Easter eggs, and their collections in point of both value and quantity are what few of our wealthy Russian women, and, as the custom is widespread in Russia, that is saying a good deal.

Among court circles it seems that there is a fashion lately which has existed from time immemorial, that the reigning czar should give the zarina an Easter egg containing some valuable gift, which usually takes the form of a production of some recent, notable event worked in precious metals and jewels.

Alexander III, the father of the present czar, never failed to observe the custom, and the result is that the dowager empress has some magnificent eggs among her collection. One of the eggs given her by her husband—the one she prizes more highly than any other—was made of ivory and contained a miniature ship made of solid gold, mounted on a beryl stone. It is said that the goldsmith spent more than nine months in making it.

In many a value, however, is by no means the thing that appeals to the empress most. Its true value to her lies in the fact that it is a souvenir of the happy tenure of what had been a trying and anxious ordeal for her.

It seems that the present czar, Nicholas II, had a most unreasonable love affair with a Russian lady, who, he is said to have loved her to the point of obsession, and that the saying "absence makes the heart grow fonder" is not universally true, for when the young prince returned his love had died out. Nevertheless, the emperor's grief and his devotion to the affair, which had been somewhat of a shock to society, and it was a long time before she was really satisfied that the danger was passed.

At the end of the happy escape from what had at one time seemed about to end in a royal scandal, the czar presented his wife on the following Easter with the miniature gold ship which was a perfect representation of that in which the young prince had made his tour of the world, complete in every detail, even the smallest cable being accurately reproduced. The czar's collection is a large golden egg, enameled in rose color, containing a small but perfect model of the state carriage in which the young couple were driven to the wedding of Moscow on the day of their wedding. The model is made of gold, with red enamel cushions, and little silver curtains are suspended from the roof by golden rings. The golden crown is inlaid in beautiful diamonds and other precious stones. This egg was given to the zarina at Easter by her coronation jewel from her husband as an Easter present a jeweled heart set in rare many colored stones. This heart was surrounded by 25 tiny miniatures of the members of the Russian royal family. The Easter egg collections of the empress and the czar were exhibited at the Paris exposition with the rest of the crown jewels, and they were very popular. The young zarina has over 125 different eggs, many of them having been given to her when she was a child. The collection of the empress dowager is somewhat smaller, but contains some beautiful specimens.—(Kansas City Star.

David Warfield was playing recently in "The Auctioneer" in a western city, where, by exposing the swindlers of a group of giggling girls, reports the New York Times. They admired his acting, and scribbling their names on a program, wrote underneath:

"When the message was delivered Warfield was taking off his 'make-up.' He seized a red pencil, one of his 'props' in the auction scene, and dashed off verses following the program on the same program: 'Many thanks. Don't come apart. Was born in one piece.'"

Warfield's Story.

The hymn has perceptibly moved the swarthy sons from India's pearly strand as the expression on their faces would indicate. Leaning on his staff, bent forward, Buddha's priest looks down to the earth. He seems, at this moment, to feel something like a longing for heaven and he is conscious that One who is invisible to the human eye, yet omnipresent, is here passing through the groups of Christian lepers, and that he is mightier than Buddha.

The hymn has died away. The Christian congregation unites in prayer to the risen Prince of Life.

Those among the lepers whose hands still remain, rev-

ently fold them. The others cross their crippled members, while the coolies place their arms over their breasts. The missionary in his prayer remembers the departed, he commends the living of this village of exiles from home and kindred, to the heart of the All-compassionate Savior. He asks that an Easter blessing may descend upon the heathen peoples who still dwell in darkness and the shadow of death—far from the Easter light and hope. When the amen has been pronounced, the lepers extend to each other, over the graves of the departed, their crippled hands, during the singing of the well-known hymn:

We who here together are assembled,
Joining hearts and hands in one,
Bind ourselves with love that's undissolved,
Christ to love and serve alone:
Oh, may our imperfect songs and praises
Be well-pleasing unto thee, Lord Jesus:
Say, "My peace I leave with you."
Amen, amen, be it so.

Now they return to their cottages, the homeless exiles who, under Golgotha's cross, have found the way to their Father's home on high and peace on earth. Across their scarred and disfigured visages passes a beam of Easter joy. They know that God's messenger will some day approach their couch of suffering and gently bear them away from this valley of corruption into the land of the redeemed from many nations, where dwell the saints in light.

In your Easter joy, kind reader, will you not also remember the poor, crippled lepers of Bethesda? Your helping hand and sympathy is needed in order to extend the work. There are still thousands of lepers in Surinam who cannot turn to Bethesda for shelter because there is no room for them. Many there are who are anxious to come and be tenderly cared for, to find rest here under the shadow of the cross of Calvary. In the lepers' farewell letter to us they wrote: "As it is only love for us that prompts you to cross the sea, he will crown your labors with success; for where love is the compelling power, the Lord will command a blessing."

CHIEF JUSTICE FULLER.

More than one reason we hope that there is no foundation for the report that Chief Justice Fuller of the United States supreme court is thinking of retiring from the bench at an early day. It is generally believed that Justice Fuller's health is as good as it has been for some years; if so, he should have a long period of usefulness before him. There is no greater mistake than to assume that a man's fitness for judicial functions is a question of age; it is purely a question of intellectual qualifications. So long as the intellect remains unimpaired, in respect of breadth and penetration of vision, the more experience a judge has had, the better for the bench to which he belongs and for the community. That eminent services have been rendered by judges who have passed the age of three score and ten can be proved by many examples, of which we mention but two—Lord Lyndhurst became, for the third time, lord chancellor of England in 1841, at the age of 69, and held the great seal till the defeat of the Peel government in 1846; John Marshall remained chief justice of the United States supreme court from March 1801, until his death in July, 1835, when he was within three months of 80 years of age. That he continued to dominate the court up to the last may be inferred from the remark made by President Andrew Jackson in 1832, when, in the case of Worcester against Georgia, the court declared it to be the president's duty to protect the Cherokee. "John Marshall," said Jackson, "has made his decision; now let him enforce it." It is not only, however, because they appreciate the services which Chief Justice Fuller has rendered, and desire an extension of time, that thoughtful citizens would deplore his retirement at this time. Of the nine judges composing the United States supreme court, only three are Democrats, to wit, Chief Justice Fuller and Associate Justices White and Peckham. In the interest of the country, and in that of the tribunal itself, it is expedient that the two great political parties should be more equally represented.—(Harper's Weekly.

COMPENSATIONS OF THE FLOOD.

The floods are subsiding and the rich agricultural lands along the St. Francis basin will be dry enough to plant before the season ends. No doubt they will be richer than ever and the crops will be ample compensation for the losses sustained.—(Arkansas Democrat.

The Harvest of the Lilies

By
Warren Harper

OVER THE SEAS from the dream-lands of Bermuda comes sailing, toward the last of March, many a ship laden with those stately lilies that on Easter morn we see blossom forth in all their glory from the altars of our American churches. Very few of these flowers are native-grown; practically all of them first see the light of day in that mid-ocean garden spot to the south. And the people of the United States, with the love they have for the beautiful things that symbolize an event or a season, spend annually at this time of the year upward of half a million of dollars for these delicate blooms that reign supreme for a day and then lapse into perennial sleep.

It is said that the lily which we invariably associate with Easter and with the Bermudas was originally brought there from Japan, but that as it may, a generation or two ago this lily was as common there in the islands as the May daisy in our New England fields. Nobody thought of it as worth special cultivation, or as a profitable article of commerce. The gentle climate and the rich volcanic soil caused it to thrive in a marvelous fashion. It lent beauty and sweetness to every acre of the small islands, but the native saw in it neither a symbol of the resurrection nor any particular emblem of purity and spirituality. He was more interested in the equally fragrant Bermuda onion and in the potato, two products that time out of mind have proved the chief sources of revenue to him.

And then the American tourist came along, and according to his recognized habit, began to exploit things. He conceived the idea that a few of these glorious lilies would be good things to ship home as gifts to flower-loving friends, which is like the way they have in Florida of sending orange blossoms north. So he sent some, with his compliments of the season. The first few attempts were not successful; the blossoms on reaching their destination were hardly in a healthy enough condition to have made the express charges worth while. But shortly, by inclosing the blossoms in sealed metal boxes, it was found that they were fairly certain to come through in good condition.

This practice of the tourists of sending floral mementoes soon served as a hint to the florists who for a long time had been trying to discover some method by which the Bermuda lilies might be successfully imported into this country. Simultaneously with this the native gardeners came across an accidental bulb, horticulturally called a "sport," which opened up great possibilities by blossoming earlier than the other varieties, and by being more robust and prolific. With an unlimited American market only two days' sail away, lily growing thus immediately became an important industry in this isolated British colony. Anglo-Saxon push and a weekly line of steamers between the Bermudas and New York have achieved the rest.

Bermuda is Bermuda, and its Easter lily is so bountifully with us at this season of the year all because the Gulf stream in its great sweep across the Atlantic saw fit to run close to this small group of volcanic peaks, which 700 miles due east from Charleston, S. C., rise abruptly from the bottom of the ocean and project their picturesque heads for a little above the waves. The total area of the Bermudas is scarcely more than 24 square miles, and yet because of this warm current passing by, things grow there to an astonishing extent. It is doubtful if anywhere else in the world there is another 24 square miles that produces half so much. Everything seems anxious to get out of the ground ahead of time. March has no sooner appeared on the calendar than the Bermuda hillslopes are covered with the richest green tones of springtime. While we in the north are suffering through the "winter of our discontent," the Bermuda planter looks forth and feasts his eye over broad fields of blooming lilies. And a pretty picture they make. As far almost as the eye can see, they stretch away like a sheet of pure alabaster, the surface of which sways lazily up and down in the breeze, waiting to you a perfume of heavy fragrance that suggests the possibility of your being in the gardens of Paradise.

But it is one thing to see these acres of exquisite blooms 700 miles out to sea, and quite another thing to transport their beauty safely to the shrines of worship in

our American cities. No task in the floral world has proved so difficult to accomplish. The trick of learning how to land on the Atlantic seaboard at just the right moment these millions of flowers has been a costly one. Thousands of dollars and blasted blossoms beyond number have had to be sacrificed. Most of the responsibility, however, has to be shouldered nowadays by the grower in Bermuda, although the express companies must step up and settle if any unnecessary delay or any lack of proper care occurs while the flowers are in transit. In shipping their goods the growers are called upon to carefully inspect each plant and bud, throwing out all those that are not in prime condition, and forwarding only the ones that are perfect in every respect. Despite these precautionary measures there is still left more of the speculative element in the lily trade than in almost any other branch of business. Even the most experienced and skilled Bermuda planter will tell you that he has nursed his posies along this year exactly; so far as he knows, the same way he did last season, and yet against all explainable reasons they have refused to mature in time for the Easter trade or have matured too soon. A few days one way or the other in bringing his lilies into condition means all the difference between profitable success and absolute failure with him. There are no half-way stages in his business. If his output is not ready at the very moment he wants it, he might as well have raised scarecrows in his fields as lilies.

A bad storm or two on the Atlantic in March is as serious a thing as can well happen to the Easter lily trade. It is certain to throw out of schedule the transportation facilities, and a steamer that is unable to sail from Bermuda on time or that reaches New York when Easter is a thing of the past, can do scarcely more than to throw its erstwhile precious cargo overboard. It is unforeseen events of this nature, together with the occasional utter failure on the part of the growers to force their plants into season, that causes the American lily-buying public to resent on some Easters the seemingly exorbitant prices that are charged.

Although the regular Bermuda lily holds away throughout the land as the saint among flowers for Eastertide, the old-fashioned calla lily is still much in evidence and much in favor. In the west and middle west, where the Bermuda blossoms cannot readily reach, its vogue is undisputed. Southern California is as famous for the culture of this variety as Bermuda is for the other type. Unlike the over-sea lily, the calla cannot stand much crowding. If any particular plant fails to receive its full quota of soil and sunshine, it becomes at once a weak, sprawling affair, destitute alike of beauty and blossoms. When well cared for, however, as it is in the many splendid hedges that surround so frequently Pacific residences, it is a thing over which no other lily can boast superiority.

It is possible in the near future that the laurels of lily growing may be snatched away from the Bermuda gentry. Of late years, along the coast of the Carolinas and in certain sections of Florida, the government has been quietly experimenting with lily culture against the possibility of growing them in this country. No small measure of success has attended these efforts. The proper soil and a favorable climate has been found in many localities, and if the department of agriculture succeeds in making its plants ripen simultaneously or ahead of the over-sea product, the Bermuda monopoly will be a thing of the past.—(Warren Harper in the Pilgrim.

THE COAL PRICE JOKE.

April Fool's Day is well chosen for the announcement of a reduction in the retail price of coal for domestic use. Fifty cents has been lopped off the official price, which is to rule at \$2.25 a ton. The reduction is to continue during the month of April only; at its close, there will be a rise of ten cents a ton, and ten cents will be added to the price at the close of five successive months, until the figures are back again at the winter standard. By contrast with the official price of domestic fuel in this city, it is announced in New York that the Retail Coal Dealers' association has made a reduction of seventy-five cents, which brings the retail price of domestic coal down to \$1.75 a ton, these figures to continue during the months of April and May. And yet, Philadelphia is supposed to be at least as near to the coal fields as New York, if not in reality nearer.—(Philadelphia Telegraph.

Easter Morning

By Rev. Henry T. Weiss.

At the Graves of the Lepers in Surinam,
Dutch Surinam, S. A.

IT IS 5 o'clock in the morning. All over the tall trees of the forest on the opposite side of the Surinam river shines the constellation of the majestic Southern Cross. Myriads of stars move along in their silent course. Also in the cottages of Bethesda, the leper village, all is still. Only from one of these cottages is heard a cry of distress, the cry of an unfortunate inmate approaching his dissolution.

6:30 a. m.—Dull burn the few lamps in the chapel of the lepers in which, during the last weeks, they have so often gathered in order, in spirit, to follow their suffering Savior on his dolorous road to Golgotha's cross.

Quietly the congregation awaits the arrival of the missionary. Now he enters with the joyful Easter greeting: "The Lord is risen!" The lepers arise responding with the words: "He is risen indeed!" and triumphantly the words sound forth in the Easter night:

Hail, all hail, victorious Lord and Savior!
Thou hast burst the bonds of death;
Grant us, as to Mary, that great favor,
To embrace thy feet in faith.
Thou hast in our stead the curse endured,
And for us eternal life procured.
Joyful, we with one accord,
Hail thee, as our risen Lord.

The lepers now all pass out, in mute procession, into the starlit night, to the last resting place of the dead. Silently they move along, each one absorbed in his own thoughts.

On the edge of the forest, in dark outline, rises a cross from among the tall grass. They have now reached the peaceful graveyard of the leper colony. No high monuments of brass or stone adorn this resting place of the dead. No kneeling angels guard the graves of the sleepers. In vain would you seek even the simplest grave-stone. The giant trees of the primeval forest stand here like a death watch. The waves of the Surinam river murmur a funeral dirge to the departed.

"I am the resurrection and the life! Whosoever believeth in me shall live though he were dead!" Thus sound the words of life and hope over the lowly mounds of earth.

Now rises, on the opposite shore, above the woods, the fiery orb of day. His beams tremble through the thick foliage of the primeval forest, they plunge into the current of the stream, they illumine the cottages where pain and suffering dwell, they surround with feeble luster, the cross on the field of death.

Struck by the wind the tall grass surges up and down—like a crystal sea—and the lowlands far and wide glisten and sparkle with heavy dew in the bright Easter morning light.

The company of cripples, men, women and children, all clad in spotless white, surround the graves of their former companions and friends, whose long path of suffering has ended here. Not far from these Christian lepers a large number of heathen coolies listen to their Easter hymns of rejoicing:

Jesus lives! henceforth is death
But the gate of life immortal;
This shall calm my trembling breath,
When I pass its gloomy portal;
Faith shall cry, as faiths can sense,
Lord, thou art my confidence.

The hymn has perceptibly moved the swarthy sons from India's pearly strand as the expression on their faces would indicate. Leaning on his staff, bent forward, Buddha's priest looks down to the earth. He seems, at this moment, to feel something like a longing for heaven and he is conscious that One who is invisible to the human eye, yet omnipresent, is here passing through the groups of Christian lepers, and that he is mightier than Buddha.

The hymn has died away. The Christian congregation unites in prayer to the risen Prince of Life.

Those among the lepers whose hands still remain, rev-

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HENRY WATTERSON'S ADDRESS.

COLONEL WATTERSON'S address before the Hamilton club in Chicago on Thursday evening was a sane, scholarly and eloquent discussion of a very important question.

The subject of his discourse was "Peace Between the Sections," but it was really in large measure a discussion of the negro problem in the south. Colonel Watterson was, as he always is in his public discussions, in the best of humor, and presented the matter from the standpoint of the southerner, but at the same time temperately, and with due consideration to the views of northerners who differ with him.

He believes, as all southerners and many eminent northerners believe, that negro suffrage, at least so far as the south is concerned, is a failure. A black man, if he votes at all, votes as he is told to vote by unscrupulous and designing politicians. The south does not intend to be ruled either by negroes or by the lowest grade of Republican politicians.

It is true also, as Mr. Watterson suggests, that the negro problem in the north and south is a widely different one. It is the difference between a theory and a condition. It is also true that white men who are the strongest sort of Republicans in the north, vote the Democratic ticket for self-protection before they have been in the south for 12 months.

The never-ending political agitation over the negro vote and the unscrupulous use which is made of that vote in the south is one of the greatest hindrances to the advancement of the negro that can well be imagined. Instead, therefore, of suffrage being helpful and valuable to him, it is now a source of evil and degradation to him. The people of the south are entitled to a great deal of credit for what they have done for the thousands of black men who are in their towns and villages all over that great section. They have enabled him to become self-respecting, to earn a livelihood, to better his conditions in many ways. They give their hearty assent and support to the work of such men as Booker Washington—men who are not striving to interest the negro in politics, but to teach him useful trades and arts and customs.

Colonel Watterson's views upon this subject are not merely those of a representative southerner. Hundreds of northerners agree with him upon his main propositions. Among them are many eminent members of the Republican party, which party alleges itself to be the special friend and guardian of the negro. These men have the courage to stand firmly for what they believe to be the correct attitude toward the negro and for his best interests. They will serve as a rebuke to those hot-headed patriots who would disrupt a peaceful and prosperous country to give the black man something which he does not want and which he cannot, in his present state of training and education, utilize to the best advantage of himself or his country.

THE PENNSYLVANIA LIBEL LAW.

IN QUAYVILLE, sometimes known as the state of Pennsylvania, a bill has been introduced and passed by the senate designed to prevent the publication of articles or pictures alleged to be injurious to the character or reputation of citizens of that state.

Inasmuch as the state of Pennsylvania is an oligarchy, owned and controlled by one man, it is natural that we should expect some such law from such a state.

While the bill is apparently innocent enough on its face, its real design is to prevent the publication of any facts concerning the notorious boodling which has so long disgraced the annals of that state.

Naturally, when the newspapers print a man's record showing that he has amassed a large fortune from shaking political plum trees, he should be at least annoyed, and no doubt would be able to present quite a case of physical and mental suffering, in accordance with the provisions of this act.

His financial circumstances would be such that he could employ high-priced medical talent to show that on such and such a date he was afflicted with a certain amount of anguish as the result of certain statements in the public press. No man is wholly happy when his misdeeds are brought to light, and under the provisions of this act he would be permitted to sue and recover damages from newspapers which had the temerity to state the facts. The press has had a good deal to say in past years concerning the peculiarities of Quay, Ashbridge and the rest of them, and it has no doubt been a source of annoyance to these rulers. They would now make it a matter of "lese majesty."

Nevertheless, the newspapers of Pennsylvania are not disposed to abandon all their rights, and are making their presence felt in the legislature in a very vigorous manner. It is to be hoped as a result of their efforts that there will still be a free press in Pennsylvania, even if a free and honest ballot is a thing of the past.

JOHN REDMOND AND THE IRISH BILL.

JOHN REDMOND, an Irish member of parliament, made an important speech in Dublin Wednesday night upon the Irish land bill. Mr. Redmond takes the view that many of his friends and friends of Ireland hoped that he would take. While the Wyndham bill is not in all respects satisfactory, it is so far ahead of anything previously tendered by the British government that it should be welcomed by all who have the true interests of the Emerald Isle at heart.

An attempt will be made to amend the measure in parliament in some of its many details, and some of the amendments may be carried. But even in its present form, the bill gives promise of some relief from the burdens which the tenants have been carrying for so many years. An outright gift of \$60,000,000 and long-term payments upon the balance of the purchase price will give the Irish farmers a chance to buy their lands for little more than they are now paying for rental.

Mr. Redmond makes a strong point which ought to be heeded by friends of Ireland everywhere, and that is that the land bill and home rule ought to be considered as separate and distinct measures, and that one should not be confused or made contingent upon the other. The fact is, that with a country full of small but happy land owners, home rule will be much more practicable than it is at present.

The children of the Madison, Wis., schools are out on strike. They seem to think that an entire day in school is too much for them, and that they should not be compelled to remain longer than a half a day. We greatly misjudge the parents of the city of Madison if they do not issue an ultimatum at once, and in the event of its being rejected, that they will do a little striking themselves.

THE PRESIDENT'S OUTING.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT is now in Yellowstone park for a stay of 16 days. During that time he expects to tramp or to ride over a large portion of the park and to enjoy a genuine holiday. All speech-making, all cares of state, all social functions of one kind and another are to be laid aside, and the party will rough it in the most approved style.

In the president's party is John Burroughs, the naturalist, who is always at his best when he is near to nature's heart. Undoubtedly both he and the president will make many new and interesting discoveries while they are attempting to cultivate nature in this great reserve.

Not even the newspaper men nor the private secretary to the president are in the party, and inasmuch as a company of United States troopers are enforcing the president's desire for seclusion, this will probably be an occasion when the press of the country will all be "scooped." There is nothing but a single strand of telegraph wire to connect the camps of the chief executive with the outside world, and nothing will be referred to him unless it be of greatest importance. As a matter of fact, the business of the country ought to be safe enough for two weeks in the hands of the president's cabinet, so that his outing may be undisturbed.

It is a very pleasant thing that Mr. Roosevelt has been able to take this trip. The cares which rest upon a chief executive demand a complete rest often more than in almost any other position which can be named. Very few presidents, however, have been willing to take a holiday in the complete and novel fashion in which our present chief executive is taking it.

The American people will all hope that President Roosevelt will have a delightful and interesting outing in Yellowstone park, free of accidents or unpleasant incidents, and that he will be greatly refreshed and renewed in body and spirit as a result thereof.

THE CARNEGIE LIBRARIES.

M. R. CARNEGIE'S purse seems to be open to the west, and especially the Pike's Peak region. He has already given \$50,000 to Colorado Springs and \$10,000 to Colorado City, and now the cheering news comes that he has agreed to add \$10,000 to his gift to Colorado Springs, and is very favorably disposed toward Manitou. It is not at all improbable, therefore, that there will be three Carnegie libraries in process of erection in these three cities at once. The Colorado Springs committee has made on the whole a wise selection in the General Palmer site on Kiowa street. It is only one block north of Pike's Peak avenue, about a block and a half west of Tejon street. It is, therefore, in a fairly central location as regards all quarters of the city.

Inasmuch, therefore, as both the site and the library building are gifts, it behooves the general public of Colorado Springs to see that the library has a fitting complement of books. The energies of all interested in the public library should now be turned in this direction.

A NEW HEADSMAN.

THE GENIAL John F. Vivian seems to have learned his lesson tolerably well and is now an ardent advocate of the theory that to the "victors belong the spoils." He is anxious to shine as a wielder of the ax. Having secured through his party pull the lucrative and not overburdensome office of surveyor general for Colorado, he is anxious to "fix the boys." He has evidently made a great many promises which he must fulfill.

At least this is the only logical reason that can be given for his desire to oust the clerks in one of the large divisions of his office before they come under the civil service act and thus make room for others who will be fixed for years to come.

Fifteen Wolcott clerks out; fifteen Vivian-Goudy-Fairley clerks in. This is the point toward which the new surveyor general appears to be aiming. It is a very uplifting spectacle, is it not? A few clerks, earning a livelihood, who are in office under the spirit if not the letter of the civil service law, are to be sacrificed to make room for other clerks who are no better but who belong to another wing or of faction of the party.

Inasmuch, however, as it is very evident that the removals are made for the purpose of evading the civil service law, it is not at all likely that the department of the interior will sanction Vivian's attempt to wield the ax in such a barefaced and reckless manner.

A FRIEND OF CO-EDUCATION.

COLLEGE presidents, like stars of lesser magnitude, differ in their views of educational subjects. Not long since, Chicago university, with the advice and consent of President Harper, decided that it would be wise to segregate the male and female students and compel them to obtain their education and carry on their courses of study in different school buildings.

Now comes President Jordan of Leland Stanford university who declares that co-education is better than segregation. "Co-education is not a matter of the sexes, but a tendency of mind. Men excel in originality, women in dexterity. It is better to have them thrown together, so that each can get the benefit of the other's type of mind. If we could drop the social butterflies and do nothing dandies off from the campus most of the evils of the university system would disappear."

So far as Colorado institutions are concerned, co-education has proved a success. In fact, it is only in this way that most women are able to secure a liberal education, for few of them are able to afford the expense involved in a four-years course at one of the women's colleges in the east.

The death of Rev. W. H. Milburn, the blind chaplain of the senate, brings home the fact that a man may be a marked success in his profession and make a name for himself despite the fact that he is deprived of some of nature's most valuable aids. When a very young child he began to lose his eyesight, but, nevertheless, went to school and studied steadily until in his 20's he became totally blind. Notwithstanding this, however, he continued his work in the ministry and on the lecture platform, and became a figure of national prominence. He was an able and eloquent speaker, and had friends by legions throughout the country.

THE COUNTRY NEGRO'S ADVANTAGE.

The average city negro grows up in the shade. He is completely overshadowed by his towering environment. As one walks along the streets of our great cities and views the massive buildings and sky-reaching structures, he finds no status for the negro above the cellar floor. The city negro of education and culture is forced into menial employment because higher forms of occupation are pre-empted by the more favored class. There are a dozen competitors for every place in sight, and in the great majority of cases the negro is handicapped by his color.

The country negro, on the contrary, is on terms of equality with his environment. He is not confronted by suggestions of inequality at every turn. Nature is a mother who is equally kind and beneficent to all of her children. An acre of ground will yield as much for the black as for the white tiller. The markets are color-blind. No one inquires into the color of the producer of the best produce in the market except as a matter of idle curiosity. No labor organization has yet placed a boycott upon negro farm labor. The farm offers for the negro the only really unhampered field which is open to him on an unlimited scale.—(Southern Workman.)

SHORT STORIES.

How It Really Happens.

"Johnny," cautiously inquired Mr. Sixavavek of her little brother, when he called the other evening—"she" was putting the finishing touches to the toilet up stairs—"have you—er—does your—er—do you—er—ever hear your sister speak of me?"

"You can't pump me," promptly replied Johnny. "I don't butt into my sister's business."

Then Johnny picked a shiny stick out of the half rack and went out. This is the way it happens in 999 cases out of 1,000, but the funnyists for the colored supplements could never be clubbed into believing it.—(Exchange.)

Looking for a Wife.

A Mississippi man sent the following letter in reply to a matrimonial advertisement: "In inclose my photograph with My Full Description. It shows the features as nachel as can be seen only to Daisie. I am very like Completion. Gray eyes. Orbon hair 6-foot high, weight 190 Lbs, inclined to be hump shouldered. A Muskrat Man and a widower 28 years old, with a Cavan School Education. I am anxious to Anot to Attend to Entry Business. I am Strictly Moral. Don't use Tobacco Nor Whiskey." He is anxious to have her understand that her Age, Completion, Gray eyes, Orbon hair 6-foot high, weight 190 Lbs, inclined to be hump shouldered. A Muskrat Man and a widower 28 years old, with a Cavan School Education. I am anxious to Anot to Attend to Entry Business. I am Strictly Moral. Don't use Tobacco Nor Whiskey. He is anxious to have her understand that her Age, Completion, Gray eyes, Orbon hair 6-foot high, weight 190 Lbs, inclined to be hump shouldered. 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The End of Waiting...An Easter Romance

IT WAS a jolly party which camped that summer in the beautiful mountain valley so long famous as a camping-ground for a certain clique of young people, who were accustomed to spend the few weeks of hot weather, enjoying the invigorating influence of outdoor life in the mountains. These camping expeditions were said to possess peculiar charms for the young people, and it was whispered that several interesting courtships now in progress in social circles dated their beginning from these romantic wanderings "by wood and stream," and, to be strictly honest, the culinary skill displayed by some of the fair sex had exercised upon certain masculine hearts—rather, stomachs—far more potent charms than many others of a sentimental character. A week had already passed since leaving town, and on the cloudless, starry evening, the entire party was gathered around the campfire in the mountain air at night, even in July, was chill.

A young moon hung like a silver thread in the heavens, giving promise of glorious nights to come. To the right a safe distance from the campfire clustered four white tents, within a semicircle formed by the carriages which had been drawn close around them as a sort of protection. On the other side stood the big, white-topped wagon dubbed the "mess"—consecrated to the culinary department, which was entirely given over to the cook and his assistant (a boy of 15), and by the light of the fire alongside could be noted active preparations for supper.

A chorus of song floated out upon the "listening ear of night," but when the strains of "Old Folks at Home" had rung up the hills and canons there was a silence which no one seemed to care to disturb by other melody foreign to its peculiar pathos, and Teddy Collins' guitar thrummed on alone. That young gentleman was gracefully reclining upon a pile of fragrant pines, near the feet of pretty Beulah Carrington, who sat in a hammock, low swinging between two pines, with her cousin, Violet Decker, and their chaperone, Mrs. Jarvis, a young widow who might have been considered by some judges by far the prettiest and most winsome of the three.

Camping parties were never considered complete without Mr. Theodore Collins and his guitar, and to a musical and fun-loving company, they were as much an invaluable complement. It was already evident that the guitar would be used to good advantage at the feet of the lovely Miss Carrington, for the young cavalier seized the present opportunity to lightly hum a popular love song, accompanied by appropriate glances.

Several older ladies drew apart from the circle of young people, for the firelight admitted the possibility of crocheting and tatting; besides a lively game of "Forfeits" had driven them from the battle-ground in the circle, when the fun began.

"Have the Beldens come in yet?" asked Mrs. Clarkson, laying down her tatting with an air of having an important communication to make. Mrs. Jarvis, howland shook her head—she was counting stitches—and did not reply for a moment.

"Not she answered, 'they were to get in tonight before dark. I hope their friend will be agreeable. One 'rank' can spoil everything, and our crowd are all so congenial."

"I suppose they had to bring him along," responded Mrs. Clarkson. "It is too bad they were delayed. The drive down is tiresome if there isn't a jolly crowd." Mrs. Howland assented with a nod, and added: "Army men are usually so awfully dignified. I dare say he will be shocked at so much levity." She glanced meaningfully at the circle where hilarity grew fast and furious. "There are the Beldens!"

Suddenly cried Mrs. Clarkson, and she sprang up and rushed to embrace her friend, and Mrs. Howland observed an introduction to a tall, soldierly man who accompanied them.

Mrs. Belden beckoned, and, nothing loath, Mrs. Howland joined him. "Are they all here? What in the world is going on?" asked Mrs. Belden, gayly, after presenting Doctor Hamilton, a fine-looking man of middle age, with a fine bearing, whose kindly eyes and deep, quiet voice at once put everyone at ease.

"Are Bessie and Violet here?" anxiously inquired Mrs. Belden. "Violet is in our care."

"All here," answered her friend. "Don't you come on and meet them? May I not postpone that ordeal till evening?" asked the doctor. "I have some important little matters I want to talk over with John, for my stay must necessarily be brief."

"We are yours to command, Doctor," said John Belden, "since you were good enough to join us. We can sit over here near the 'mess wagon,' smoke and talk."

"Oh, those two men are as bad as a couple of school-boys," said Mrs. Belden. "They want to talk secrets. They are old college cronies and haven't met for ages. Let them alone. We want to see the fun," and catching Mrs. Clarkson's hand they ran towards the campfire, and received a noisy welcome.

"We are just coaxing Mrs. Jarvis. Tell her you say she must," said Teddy Collins. "We know she has a voice, and birds that can sing and sing must be coerced."

"I have sung for so long, I'm out of breath," mimicked Cliff Gordon, another irrepressible, briding, and holding his throat in mock distress. "She can't come in in mass as Mrs. Jarvis took the guitar, and after a few chords, her rich contralto voice filled the sudden silence with that exquisite melody De Koven has made immortal. 'Oh, Promise Me!'"

No one spoke for several moments after she had finished; to lovers of music such a spell is not lightly broken, and everyone in that circle felt that the singer's voice was born of a heart-sorrow.

Some one master has said one could not sing until he had suffered. But Mrs. Jarvis did not wear her heart upon her sleeve, and if there was a grief be-

neath her outward cheerfulness no one had more than divined it. Over near the mess wagon Dr. Hamilton had suddenly forgotten the important business with John Belden. The two men smoked in silence during the song.

"What a voice!" exclaimed the doctor in a low tone of unbounded admiration, and John Belden told his wife afterward that the doctor had never taken his eyes from the singer's face while she sang.

"Who is she, John?" "A little widow—wonderfully charming—that Jeanette has a wonderful fancy for," answered John.

Mrs. Belden was at that moment whispering to Mrs. Clarkson: "Dr. Hamilton must meet Bessie."

"Oh, Jeanette!" exclaimed her friend, sotto voce: "don't lay snares for poor fellow so soon. You born match-maker!"

"They would make a lovely couple," continued Jeanette, unabashed.

"Mrs. Jarvis will never think of any man again, I am convinced. She too

nothing, really," began Mrs. Jarvis, reaching for the silence that had threatened to become embarrassing.

Teddy arose to the occasion. "Friends, Romans and countrymen! I rise to declare that we may live without love, and worry about without books, but camping parties would not manage very well without cooks. I move we adjourn to supper." (Applause)—whereupon John Belden bawled over to the mess wagon an inquiry regarding its progress. Harris, the cook, coming within convenient speaking distance, answered that of the large number of trout to prepare, and a mishap to the first batch of biscuits, supper would not be ready for half an hour.

This announcement elicited much grumbling from the men, but it was hushed. "But if you'll forgive me for being personal, I can convince Miss Decker that she is enjoying all the comforts of home in this camp. I remember, as though it were but yesterday, the day we arrived in that Indian village, where father went to gather

material for a book. To do this he took mother, myself and two younger sisters and for nearly a year made our home among the Indians to study their habits and customs. A born missionary at heart and a skillful physician, he soon endeared himself wonderfully to those wretched people."

Who says the Indian is incapable of affection? I never saw more touching devotion, more sincere attachment than that displayed by those poor creatures towards my father and mother. We lived in their midst—in one of their squalid dwellings, changed by Christian civilization into a home, tho' a humble one—ministering to them during the dreadful scourge of smallpox, comforting the dying, aiding the suffering, and when famine came upon them, the readiness with which they shared with us their miserable food—their pitiful measure of dried corn, would make your heart ache to know.

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She looked up, smiling, but something bright glistened in many an eye. John Belden and Dr. Hamilton had evidently exhausted their confidences, for they were seen loitering towards the group, but Mrs. Jarvis was too much absorbed in her recollections to heed much going on around her. "I must hurry to the camping party," went on the narrator; "or you will be ready to believe it a humbug. Quite late in the winter a heavy snowstorm set in, and the snow fell for days continuously, threatening us with new peril for which we were entirely unprepared. It was the probability of being so blockaded with snow as to be unable to cross the mountains to Fort W— where we obtained all of our supplies. Several weeks passed, and twice the Indians made an effort to reach the fort, but returned after going 20 or 25 miles. Our extremity became alarming, for our provisions were running low, and the Indians could afford us but little help, for they were poor and suffering themselves. After nine weeks my parents, in desperation, resolved to make one last attempt to cross the mountains; so hiring an ox team and an Indian, they packed the wagon with a few necessities and all our remaining provisions, a little tea, bacon, and several loaves of bread, and with us children set out on the awful journey from which might be no returning."

"All day we plodded laboriously along through great unbroken drifts of snow, over a trackless stretch of country. Just as night began to fall the Indian stopped, and looking on beyond, shook his head dejectedly.

"'Senor,' he grunted in Spanish, as he waved his brown hand before him, 'there we cannot go.'"

"He pointed to the oxen, standing in snow to their yokes."

"They cannot do it," he added, with more emphasis. "I remember where we stood—near a high cliff—and close to the shelter of this the wagon was drawn, and with sinking hearts my parents realized that their efforts to

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"Yes, she married very young. Her husband was nearly twice her age, but a wealthy man," continued the other, adding anxiously, after a pause: "but I do wish she would come back, for it is going to rain."

Just as she finished speaking, a peal of thunder rolled loud echoes along the canons, and scarcely had it died away when the rattle of wheels and sound of voices were heard, and a light-colored wagon appeared through the trees.

"There are John and the doctor," cried Mrs. Belden, jumping up, and dropping her yarn. "Oh, I am so glad, for I do dread these mountain rains and thunderstorms."

Mrs. Belden ran forward to meet the travelers as they drove up to the largest tent, which was used as a sort of baggage room. Mrs. Clarkson disengaging her hands from the half-wound skein of zephyr. The two gentlemen sprang out, and after hastily greeting his wife, Mr. Belden said hurriedly as he and the doctor began unloading the wagon: "I hope the ladies are all in camp. We're going to have a big rain. It's been pouring down the valley, tremendously. Hamilton and I had to build our bridge to cross at Porter's, this morning."

Mrs. Belden was helping her husband, for already the big drops were coming down, and Dr. Hamilton was leading the horses away when Mrs. Clarkson joined them.

"You ladies are all safe in camp, I hope," said the doctor, stopping a moment to greet Mrs. Clarkson.

"On the contrary, every one is out," replied Mrs. Clarkson. "The young people all went picnicking this morning and are undoubtedly safe, but I am anxious for Mrs. Jarvis. She went up the mountain to the berry patch, but that has been three hours ago," and Mrs. Clarkson's face showed the anxiety she felt, and she fancied that Dr. Hamilton's own countenance betrayed a slight shadow of solicitude as he answered her:

"If you would let me have a waterproof I might walk up the mountain in that direction and possibly meet her, and save her from a drenching in this rain."

Mrs. Clarkson readily assented and hastened to the tent for Mrs. Jarvis' waterproof, while Dr. Hamilton hurried the horses over to shelter before she returned. He was back in a moment with an umbrella, and met her at the tent-door as she gave him the wrap and overshoes rolled together.

"The rain began to descend in torrents as the doctor left the camp and strode rapidly away up the mountain with a grave, resolute look on his handsome face."

"I suppose we ought to go back to town this week, Jeanette," John Belden was saying to his wife, who had seated herself upon a pile of blankets in the baggage tent to look over the contents of the letter-bag. Mr. Belden laid down his last load—a quarter of fresh beef carefully sewed up in sackings—as he spoke and turned to meet his wife's inquiring look.

"Hamilton will be obliged to leave tomorrow, and of course we will not permit him to go alone. The time of his furlough is about up and he has to get back home next week. He insisted on coming out again with me. I fancy it is the widow," and Mr. Belden smiled meaningfully. "You might better get our things together, for I think we'd better go. But we needn't hurry the others."

Meanwhile Dr. Hamilton was gallantly making his way through thickets of scrub-oak, wild plum and cherry, whose dripping branches were tangled with clematis vines, rendering his progress rather difficult, but it was evident from his direct course that he was familiar with the path. At length he came to a tiny stream, along whose mossy banks grew wild berries in abundance, and stopping looked about him, hearing no sound but the down-pour of rain, and seeing no one he shouted repeatedly, but in vain.

He continued along the banks of the brooklet a little farther and then stopped again; but this time it was "Bessie! Oh, Bessie!"

Dr. Hamilton almost shuddered at his own temerity. What if Mrs. Jarvis should hear him!

"Doctor! Oh, Dr. Hamilton, here I am!" cried a frightened voice, barely audible amid the noise of the elements; and under a huge, wide-spreading pine, he saw Mrs. Jarvis, standing on a broad stone, waving her handkerchief energetically.

"How did you happen this way?" she asked, eagerly. "I thought you were not to return until tomorrow." She looked up gratefully as he approached.

"We came in a little while ago and found Mrs. Clarkson anxious about your safety, so I thought it might be well to step up this way with your storm-coat, hoping to meet you," replied the doctor, and as he spoke he unrolled the waterproof and wrapped it about Mrs. Jarvis' shoulders.

"How exceedingly kind of you to think of me!" she said, smiling. "In this drenching rain I would have gotten very wet. As it is, I have not entirely escaped," and Mrs. Jarvis dried her face with her handkerchief, for the

driving rain had overtaken her before she reached shelter.

"You should not have ventured so far alone, Mrs. Jarvis," began the doctor, reproachfully.

"Oh, I am very brave," she answered, looking up as they drew back under the thickest branches; but as she met the look of grave tenderness in his eyes, as he bent over her, standing beside him, her face grew serious and she felt her heart beating wildly.

"I am glad you are alone, though," and Dr. Hamilton kept his eyes upon her face, "for I have something to say—that I must say before I go away."

"Go away!" echoed Mrs. Jarvis, faintly.

"Yes. Tomorrow I must leave—my work calls me back; but oh, how I wish to know that I may come again—for you, Bessie, for you must know I love you." He bent so low as he drew her gently near him, that his lips touched her hair and his voice sank to a whisper.

Mrs. Jarvis put her hand suddenly to her throat, and he could see her face whiten as she turned from him, and almost gasped: "Oh! Dr. Hamilton! what have I done?"

She felt that this man beside her was in terrible earnest, and as he stood for the few hushed moments that followed, anxiously watching her averted face and the emotion she strove in vain to conceal, a gust of hot tears surged up and brimmed over upon her cheeks. She dashed them angrily away, but her breast heaved with suppressed sobs.

"Mrs. Jarvis—Bessie, dearest," cried Dr. Hamilton, alarmed at the storm of emotion he had unwittingly raised. "There is nothing so terrible in what I have said. Is it so great a sin to love you? You are the only woman that has ever entered my life, and it is not in youthful passion that I have come to you with the offering of my love—to ask you to accept my heart and my life. God only knows what this is to me, Mrs. Jarvis, but if—if it is not for me to win your love—I—"

He broke off suddenly, his voice husky with feeling, and took both her hands in his to look earnestly into her face.

"Bessie," he whispered, "answer me—kindly."

In the dark eyes that turned to meet his gaze, Philip Hamilton read the true response of the heart he hoped to win, but there was also a look of unutterable sadness as Mrs. Jarvis spoke, falteringly, almost beseechingly:

"Dear Dr. Hamilton! You do not know what you are asking. There is a deep shadow on my life that would make it sinful in me to cast it over me as noble as yours. I fear I could not make you happy."

Dr. Hamilton pressed her hands gently, as he answered: "Oh, my little one! You do not comprehend the great love I bear you. It is mighty enough to dispel all shadow—if you only love me."

"I dare not say I love you," cried Mrs. Jarvis despairingly; "for it would only make it more bitter to—turn away—the greatest blessing that has ever come to me. Listen! You knew of my father's feeble health when we last met in that terrible place. He never recovered fully from the privation and exposure. Several young children came after that, and then an unfortunate investment swept away his savings of years, and we older children were pushed out to help make the living. I tell you this for you know how I loved my father and when he desired me to marry a wealthy man who had won our hearts by great pecuniary assistance, I consented, although he was quite old. The marriage was solemnized beside father's death bed, and he died happy in the promise that mother and the children should never want. It did not take long to find out that I had married a blase man of the world, who soon wearied of a pretty child, as a fad, and turned back to the habits of years."

"Without even the blessing of motherhood I was left alone, for I was made to feel bitterly my husband's disappointment. And oh, the humiliation! the disgrace I felt when he went away one night and did not return! Left alone for another and with another! It was simply a shameful way of forcing me to the divorce which was then inevitable. I would have done my duty to the end—but my life is ruined!"

Mrs. Jarvis sank down upon the mossy rock at the foot of the pine and covered her face, almost trembling to hear her lover's

MINES AND MINING

PORTLAND NO. 2.

Special to the Gazette.
Cripple Creek, April 9.—Full operations have resumed on the Portland No. 2, where an accident several weeks ago practically demolished one of the big reels of the engine, causing heavy damages to the shaft house and plant of machinery. The shaft since that time has been worked at only half capacity. The first part of next week a new tramway that is to be used in conveying waste rock from the shaft will be running. This conveyor will be operated by electric power on the trolley system, and is a new arrangement to the district for disposing of waste rock. The new arrangement will be in operation in transit and returning to the shaft house. This improvement will effect a material saving and likewise extend the dumping grounds for No. 2 property, which the past has been greatly crowded, carrying the waste rock far enough to be very advantageous for years, the tramway being 1,000 feet in length. The Portland mine is now producing more ore than the mill at Colorado City can handle, and if the mine was worked to its greatest capacity of ore, the mill would have to be twice as large as it now is.

The lower level of the Golden Cycle mine is showing up better than any of the levels previously opened. Only one of the veins of the vein system has been opened as yet. This vein is what is known as the "Big Vein" and is the one which the level was extended to the ore body it showed much better grades and thickness on this level.

The economic chlorination reduction mill, located on the west slope of Squibb mountain, is now employing some 125 men, working at its utmost capacity, there being 225 tons of ore treated each day.

O'Connor & Duffy, operating on a block of the Mary McKinney ground, sent out a carload shipment of ore to-day, from which values of \$40 to the ton in gold are expected to be returned.

John Blongren has sold his quarter interest in the McAdams and Lewis Burns, James Needham also parted with his holdings on the same lease to the same people.

Work is being pushed on the Ophelia tunnel at the rate of some 14 feet a day.

NEWS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM LAKE GEORGE DISTRICT

The Apex Copper company, owning property in the Lake George district, is installing a plant of machinery on the property and the plant is being placed today. The 80-horse power boiler has already been enclosed, the brick for the purpose having been shipped from Colorado City. Mr. Vanatta made the property visit a few days ago, as reported in these columns, and brought several samples upon his return. Assays as high as 60 per cent copper have been obtained and the ore generally runs \$4 per ton in gold.

H. J. Newman returned last night from a visit to the Tarryall company's property in the same immediate section and reports a good showing and great activity in the entire district.

On the property owned by F. M. Clancy and associates, a big flow of water was struck a few days ago, it became necessary to close down. The company will put in pumps as soon as possible to take care of any water that may come in the future. The S. H. Clancy and associates are looking for in the district as it is claimed that the large bodies of copper will be found from that point down.

Work Resumes New Lease
The Work company has recently granted a lease on the Poorman claim to Cripple Creek people and work will be started at once. The new leasees are not having pumps installed. It became necessary to close down. The company will put in pumps as soon as possible to take care of any water that may come in the future. The S. H. Clancy and associates are looking for in the district as it is claimed that the large bodies of copper will be found from that point down.

Bonanza King Development
The work of installing a steam plant of machinery on the Bonanza King property, owned under lease to the Gold Cord company of Denver is progressing rapidly and it is expected that the drills will be working before many days. The leasing company has opened good ore in the Bonanza King shaft at a depth of 545 feet. The lease is for three years, somewhat longer than the usual period. It is expected, also, that work will be started on the shaft of the property by other leasees and a shaft sunk from the surface. The leasees working through the Davenport shaft, are shipping constantly and the company is receiving a nice sum from the royalties. The lease is also a strike was reported in these columns several days ago that gave assays of as high as 33 ounces in gold to the ton and the streak has widened out to several inches.

Strikes and Dividends
A report comes from camp that the lessee on the J. I. C. and Sweepstakes claims of the Bonanza King property, owned under lease to the Gold Cord company of Denver is progressing rapidly and it is expected that the drills will be working before many days. The leasing company has opened good ore in the Bonanza King shaft at a depth of 545 feet. The lease is for three years, somewhat longer than the usual period. It is expected, also, that work will be started on the shaft of the property by other leasees and a shaft sunk from the surface. The leasees working through the Davenport shaft, are shipping constantly and the company is receiving a nice sum from the royalties. The lease is also a strike was reported in these columns several days ago that gave assays of as high as 33 ounces in gold to the ton and the streak has widened out to several inches.

The books of the Portland Gold Mining company closed yesterday for the payment of the quarterly dividend of 3 cents per share, amounting to \$90,000, and which will be distributed to stockholders on April 15. The books will re-open on the day after the dividend is paid.

The stockholders of the Mary McKinney Mining company will today receive the checks in payment of the regular quarterly dividend, which was declared March 25. The dividend is at the rate of 3 cents per share and amounts to \$30,000. The books of the company will re-open tomorrow. The company is said to have a good treasury reserve and shipments are being made from the workings.

TWO DAYS' PRODUCTION OF
The production of the property is running from 50 to 60 tons of ore per day, a large portion of this is being shipped. Another important feature

of the condition of the property is the statement that the water now is constantly decreasing.

PUSHING DEVELOPMENT ON THE THERESA.

It is announced that work will soon be started on the Theresa property on Bull hill by the Hill and Berry associates. The property is already being developed in the way of making preparations for active mining operations. It is the intention of the directors to make the system of development work from the shaft which is down 500 feet, and it is also likely that mining operations will be carried on in other portions of the property. The ore which is already opened up is principally low grade which could not be treated at a profit when active work was in progress.

MARY MCKINNEY PAYS DIVIDENDS.

The regular quarterly dividend of the Mary McKinney Mining company was paid yesterday. The dividend amounted to \$30,000. The books will open today. The company is said to have a good treasury reserve and shipments are being made from the workings.

GOLD AND GLOBE MILL.

Special to the Gazette.
Cripple Creek, April 13.—The construction work of the reduction plant being erected by the Gold and Globe company in Goldfield is nearly completed, and it is expected the mill will be in operation a week from today. The new plant will be complete and modern in every detail. It will have a capacity to handle 100 tons of ore per day. The company has installed an entirely new plant of machinery on the Ironclad mine, and operations are now going on quite a number of miles from the shaft of the mine. The company is now going to start up the mill as soon as it can start up. The company is now holding about 50 tons of ore per day, and will increase this amount to 100 tons as the cyanide mill is in perfect operation.

Yesterday another lease was secured by the company on the south end of the Golden Wedge of the Mary Jane company, there being a vein in this ground which will average 10 feet in width, but is a low grade proposition.

The Eagle property by the same named leasing company is proving as large as expected. The ore body has been proved to be 25 feet in width. Sufficient ore has been taken to show that the property is worth the investment. The company is now going to start up the mill as soon as it can start up. The company is now holding about 50 tons of ore per day, and will increase this amount to 100 tons as the cyanide mill is in perfect operation.

Hughes and associates who secured a lease on the Ingham ground some two weeks ago, are already receiving a carload of ore which was shipped to the Eagle sampler, and from assays taken, it will run in the neighborhood of \$40 to the ton.

The pay streak runs from 18 inches to two feet in width, and was first encountered near the 300-foot level, where the lessees are now stopping energetically. The shaft is being widened and straightened, and it is to be lowered an additional 100 feet at once, when the work of thoroughly prospecting the vein will begin.

ON THE WILSON CLAIM.

Special to the Gazette.
Cripple Creek, April 10.—Wilhelm and other operating on the Murphy shaft on the Wilson claim of the Free Coinage company, have opened up a small sized bonanza. The lessees running a crosscut to a depth of 70 feet only, but a short distance, they encountered a vein two feet in width, from which they are receiving assays that run from \$100 to \$1,000 to the ton in gold. The shaft is being widened and straightened, and it is to be lowered an additional 100 feet at once, when the work of thoroughly prospecting the vein will begin.

The Bonanza Tunnel.
The Dorcas G. M. & Co. company, operating in the Gillett section, has now reached a distance of over 1,000 feet in its tunnel. The company encountered a good grade of ore at the surface, and they have continued in this kind of rock up to the present time. They are now about 300 feet from the known contact, from which, when this is reached, the expected great bonanza is expected to be reached. The company is now going to start up the mill as soon as it can start up. The company is now holding about 50 tons of ore per day, and will increase this amount to 100 tons as the cyanide mill is in perfect operation.

GLOBE LEASES GOLDEN WEDGE.
The Globe Mining & Reduction company has secured a lease on the Golden Wedge claim of the Mary Jane company for a long term of years. It is stated that there is a considerable body of low-grade ore opened up and the company is now going to start up the mill as soon as it can start up. The company is now holding about 50 tons of ore per day, and will increase this amount to 100 tons as the cyanide mill is in perfect operation.

RETURNS FROM WASHINGTON.
Returns have been received from a 20-ton shipment of ore from the Washington mine at Granite. The net return was \$1,000. The company is now going to start up the mill as soon as it can start up. The company is now holding about 50 tons of ore per day, and will increase this amount to 100 tons as the cyanide mill is in perfect operation.

COLORADO CITY EN IN LAKE GEORGE DISTRICT.
G. W. Ott of Colorado City, has been authorized to act as agent for the Mary McKinney & Milling company of that place. The company was recently organized under the laws of Wyoming with a capital stock of \$150,000 and operations are to be carried on in El Paso and Park counties. The directors of the company are J. A. Slutter, C. A. Jamison, J. H. Redenbaugh, J. E. Bierley, J. L. Payne and William Dewey. Mr. Ott is secretary of the company.

INDICATOR DECLARES QUARTERLY DIVIDEND.
The directors of the Indicator Gold Mining company have declared the regular quarterly dividend of three cents per share, amounting to \$33,000, and an extra dividend of two cents per share, making a total distribution of \$55,000. The dividend is payable April 25 to stockholders of record April 20. The total amount distributed by the company, when this dividend is paid will total \$1,027,000.

WORK CO. HOLDS ANNUAL.
The annual stockholders' meeting of the Work Mining & Milling company was held yesterday at the offices of the company in the city. The officers of the company are J. A. Slutter, C. A. Jamison, J. H. Redenbaugh, J. E. Bierley, J. L. Payne and William Dewey. Mr. Ott is secretary of the company.

STATE MINING NEWS

EMPIRE.

Recent developments on Covode mountain, and the excellent grade of the resulting product, are rapidly bringing it into prominence as a successful competitor of its old time rival and neighbor, Silver mountain. On the west slope, in the upper tier of mines, the Gold Bug and Gold Fissure claim precedence as producers of ore second to none in the camp. And now the Empire is doing the work on them and they are looking well.

MINING NOTES.

The Acacia company has granted another lease on the Morning Star property on Bull hill to Berry and associates for a period of 18 months, 35 per cent royalties. The block is the northern portion of the claim, the south half having already been leased. It is the intention of the new lessees to do some work on the property, and it is understood that shipments are being made from time to time.

THE Leland Stanford property.

one of the properties on Bull hill which has been idle for a long time, has been leased to Duncan and associates of the Stanford University for a period of 18 months, 35 per cent royalties. The block is the northern portion of the claim, the south half having already been leased. It is the intention of the new lessees to do some work on the property, and it is understood that shipments are being made from time to time.

Dr. Talpey has received returns from a shipment.

of 20 tons of ore from the Kinsey and Sax lease on the Sittling Bull claim of the Keystone company. The shipment was settled for at the rate of \$35 to the ton. A lot of ore was shipped to the mill, and the value of the shipment was \$700. The company is now going to start up the mill as soon as it can start up. The company is now holding about 50 tons of ore per day, and will increase this amount to 100 tons as the cyanide mill is in perfect operation.

A new find is reported in the property of the Mary McKinney company in a vein which heretofore has never been explored. The values are running high, and the statement of one of the officers of the company, a considerable development work is being done on the vein at the present time.

A notice was posted yesterday on the bulletin board of the exchange calling attention to the fact that transfer had been stopped on 16,000 shares of Little Bessie stock which have been either lost or stolen. The certificates are being canceled and new ones issued. The certificates are as follows:

Little Bessie, certificate 198, to Hundley & Miller, 1,000 shares; certificate 199, to Hundley & Miller, 1,000 shares; certificate 200, to Hundley & Miller, 1,000 shares; certificate 201, to Hundley & Miller, 1,000 shares; certificate 202, to Hundley & Miller, 1,000 shares; certificate 203, to Hundley & Miller, 1,000 shares; certificate 204, to Hundley & Miller, 1,000 shares; certificate 205, to Hundley & Miller, 1,000 shares; certificate 206, to Hundley & Miller, 1,000 shares; certificate 207, to Hundley & Miller, 1,000 shares; certificate 208, to Hundley & Miller, 1,000 shares; certificate 209, to Hundley & Miller, 1,000 shares; certificate 210, to Hundley & Miller, 1,000 shares; certificate 211, to Hundley & Miller, 1,000 shares; certificate 212, to Hundley & Miller, 1,000 shares; certificate 213, to Hundley & Miller, 1,000 shares; certificate 214, to Hundley & Miller, 1,000 shares; certificate 215, to Hundley & Miller, 1,000 shares; certificate 216, to Hundley & Miller, 1,000 shares; 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Concentrates From
News of the Day

Washington, April 15.—Forecast
for Colorado: Showers Thursday
and probably Friday.

New York stocks generally steady with
a weakening tendency until the close which
was weak.
Chicago grain active and strong.

LOCAL.

General Palmer makes another very sub-
stantial gift to Glockner sanitarium.
Wesley Nethers is starting for the ap-
pointment of street commissioner.
International Bookbinders have been of-
fered \$100 to build home in this city.
Meeting of chamber of commerce di-
rectors called to arrange for reception of
President Roosevelt.

Judge Seeds denies motion to modify
injunction in Golden Cycle case.
Judge Seeds recalls litigation similar to
Golden Cycle case.

Ticket brokers will not be permitted to
sell seats to world's fair.
Art and literature department of Wom-
an's club elect officers.
Miss Edson of D. and R. G. talks
about improvements to system.

As result of disagreement with policy
of President Palmer the entire faculty of
the State School of Mines has resigned.
Governor's advisory board has submitted
formal report relative to investigation of
Colorado city case.

Former Chief Clerk Munnell of the
state tax department of the state auditor's
office has conferred in his alleged em-
bezzlement scheme.

Governor Peabody starts on eastern trip
today to attend the launching of the cruiser
Colorado at Philadelphia.

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Daniels bank on Sixteenth street, Denver.

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office in connection with death of a woman
were unidentified.

A crowd of about 100 persons gathered
at Eleventh street, near Avenue D.

Evidence adduced before the grand jury
in the case of a woman named "Mabel"
state senators and representatives may be
indicted for perjury.

The campaign against the bandits in the
province of Albay has proved unsuccess-
ful in the hands of the American forces.
The government is preparing to
organize another movement.

The Mississippi river continues to fall
from Vincennes to New Orleans and the
flood situation is improving.

Unable to determine with any definite-
ness the real cause for the recent explo-
sion on the Iowa the board of investiga-
tion appointed to investigate the explosion
chemical and chemical test under the di-
rection of an expert board to establish the
composition of the metal of the burst gun.

William A. Sunday, known throughout
the country as a ball player, was yester-
day ordained as a minister of the Pres-
byterian church. In the presence of 500
persons in the Jefferson Park Presbyterian
church tonight he was formally or-
dained.

The threatened strike of the Marine
package handlers at Chicago was averted
by a compromise.

TATF'S HEALTH RESORT,
IN THE PHILIPPINES

By Associated Press.
Washington, April 15.—Secretary Root
today received a letter from Governor Tatf
of Manila, who recently went from
Manila to Benguet, to recover his
health.

"Good trip well. Rode home back 25
miles to 6,000 altitude. Hope I've been
cured. Great province. This only 150
miles from Manila with air as bracing
as Adirondacks or Murray bay. Only
one grass lands. Temperature in this
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my cottage porch is 60 degrees and 85
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JOPLIN MOB RAIDED
THE NEGRO SECTION

Negro Tramp Was Lynched for Shooting a Police-
man and the Frenzied Mob Later Made a Gen-
eral Attack on the Negro Quarter—Officials
Powerless to Cope With the Rioters.

By Associated Press.

Joplin, Mo., April 15.—The lynching
of a negro tonight served to only tem-
porarily satisfy the indignation of the
mob, and later tonight hundreds of
men, again assembled and rioted
through the negro section of the city,
burning houses and stoning negroes,
and finally drove every negro from the
 confines of Joplin. The police were
powerless.

The first act of the mob after hang-
ing the negro was to demand the re-
lease from jail of a local character
known as "Hickory Bill," who was
under arrest on the charge of assault-
ing a negro. In the hope that this
would appease the mob, the prisoner
was set free. But the mob did not
disperse. Instead, a rush was made
through Main street, the principal
street of Joplin, and every negro was
frightened off the street and fled to
the north part of the city where the
colored population resides. In this
way the negroes were driven from all
parts of the city to the negro section.
Then the mob charged down on the
section. Stones were thrown, doors
and windows of negro houses were
broken in and finally several houses

were fired. The department responded
but many of the houses were burned to
the ground. The mob made endeavors
to prevent the fire department from
extinguishing the flames and were par-
tially successful. All the officers of
the city, township and county were
called out but the mob swept them
aside and proceeded with the rioting.
Mayor Trigg ran from corner to cor-
ner, and mounting boxes made earnest
appeals to the mob to cease, but be-
yond cheering the mayor vociferously
the mob swept on and the depredations
continued. The saloons were hurriedly
closed by the mayor.

After the hundreds of frenzied men
composing the mob had vented their
wrath in the north end of the city they
rushed to the southern end where lived
a number of negroes. Their houses
were vacant and not a negro could be
found. Three more houses were fired
and two were consumed.

All efforts to reason with the rioters
were futile as apparently a frenzy had
seized upon them. The streets were
thronged and at 11:15 o'clock the whole
city was in an uproar. So far as known
at that hour no fatalities had occurred
although many persons had received
minor injuries.

MANHATTAN ELEVATED REFUSED
DEMANDS OF ITS EMPLOYEES

By Associated Press.

New York, April 15.—A crisis in the
negotiations between the employees of
the Manhattan Elevated railway and the
management was reached today when
a committee of employees presented to
the directors a demand for a nine-
month concession of the company to re-
fuse to grant it.

Whether the employees will resort to
a strike that will tie up every elevated
train in Manhattan, none of the repre-
sentatives of the employees will attempt
to predict. But before the meeting
President Taylor of the union of Man-
hattan employees, said:

"If the directors refuse our demands
we will call a meeting of all employees
tomorrow or next day, and from this
present feeling of the men this will
mean a strike."

The conference was held in the of-
fice of August Belmont, president of
the Interborough Rapid Transit com-
pany, which owns the Manhattan sys-
tem. The employees had accepted pre-
vious concessions of the company as to
wages, but had voted that "it would be
nine hours or nothing."

They declare that in some instances
their work is divided over 19 hours.
After hearing the grievances of the
men, the directors adopted a resolution
rejecting the demands of the men. "In-
asmuch as the present hours are as
short as and the rates of pay are high-
er than those of any other railroad sys-
tem in New York or other large cities."

YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN
ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE

By Associated Press.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., April 15.—The ninth
biennial convention of the American
committee of the World's Young
Women's Christian association opened this
afternoon with more than 300 delegates
and visitors in attendance. The con-
vention was called to order by Mrs. L.
W. Messer of Chicago, recording sec-
retary of the American committee. Mrs.
Messer made a short address calling at-
tention to the great number of delegates
gathered from all over the country and
some even from India. These meetings
said Mrs. Messer remove all sectarian
and denominational barriers, and unite
all in the general work for the uplifting
of their sex.

The nomination committee submitted
the following list of officers for the
convention:

President, Mrs. Frank B. Brown, Mil-
waukee; a number of vice president, in-
cluding Mrs. W. D. Fair, Seattle; sec-
retaries, Mrs. Elizabeth Wilson, Mrs.
Caroline Patch and Miss Julia Deane.

All were elected by unanimous vote.
Mrs. Frank B. Brown, the new presid-
ing officer, made a brief address. She
asked the assistance of all present in
furthering the present work for uplift-
ing of young women. She then intro-
duced Mrs. Margaret B. Sangster, the
eminent author and member of the
American committee, who delivered a
pleasing address on the progress of the
work. The chairman announced the
committees. One of the noted dele-
gates from abroad is Emily Kennard
of London, whose family was the foun-
der of the movement in England to aid
young working women by plans since

adopted by the Young Women's Chris-
tian association.

In connection with the work of the
convention, it promises to be spirited
the status of certain associations,
notably those of San Francisco and
other large cities, that are not affiliated
with the American committee. The ses-
sions on Friday and Saturday mornings
will be devoted to this subject.

NEW YORK WILL SEND
REGIMENT TO ST. LOUIS

By Associated Press.

Albany, N. Y., April 15.—The bill ap-
propriating \$50,000 for the expenses for
the trip to the St. Louis fair of April
27, or Governor Odell, his staff and
a regiment of state militia, was passed
by the senate today. The measure had
been previously passed by the assem-
bly. The act authorizes the governor
to make arrangements for the selection of
1,000 picked troops from the National
guard, all of whom shall be selected for
their soldierly appearance, who shall act
as Governor Odell's personal escort to
the exposition.

Lee Rollens, a colored man, 50 years
old, was found dead under the Santa
Fe trestle at Bijou street, last night
about 10 o'clock. There was nothing to
point to the cause of his death and the
police have so far been unable to come
to any definite conclusion concerning
it. A post mortem will be held by the
coroner this morning to determine the
cause of death.

Rollens had been working at the Hill
Block & Co. company at Colorado City
for the past few days as a hod carrier.
When last seen alive he was leaving the
home of William Lane, in the rear of
316 North El Paso street, at 9:20 last
night. He had gone to Lane's house for
the purpose of getting some letters
written. When found he had only two
wrist bruises on his body, one on the
left temple and the other on the left
knee, and according to County Physi-
cian Richardson, neither one could have
resulted in his death unless he was
struck from either a complex or heart
disease.

The police do not believe that he could
have been knocked off by a train, be-
cause there is no house of any sort to
judge a place where he might have
been struck.

Nose Was Bleeding.
His nose was bleeding slightly when
he was found and his pulse was still
beating. He was found by several
boys who live in the neighborhood. They
noticed the police department and the
patrol wagon was sent to the scene. He
was at once taken to the coroner's
where his pockets were searched and his
clothing examined. No money or any
other valuables were found. No one was
seen, however, with the exception of two
negro men, Rollens had two letters
in his pockets, one had been written
by a woman and the other addressed to
a woman. The letters were found in
his pockets and the police department
has not yet been able to locate the
woman who wrote them. There was

ADDING TO
GRAND JURY
PETITIONS

The petitions for a grand jury
will all be filed in the office of
District Attorney Trowbridge by the
time Mr. Trowbridge and
Judge Cunningham return from
Cripple Creek the latter part of
this week.

Signatures are still being at-
tached, and in Colorado City
large lists have been circulated.
Among those signing in the
business section yesterday were
Andy Adams, the author of the
most recent western book, "The
Log of a Cowboy," M. O. Barnes,
C. M. Hobbs, cattle dealer, Dr.
A. H. Garnett, Stephen M. Dun-
can and W. J. Hendrickson. Yes-
terday T. J. Black, deputy dis-
trict attorney, mailed to Dis-
trict Attorney Trowbridge what
lists he has received.

Just when the grand jury will
be called will be determined
upon the arrival of the district
attorney and the judges. The
character of the work the jury
will take up is such that sev-
eral weeks' time will be re-
quired and the question is being
asked by attorneys if it is ex-
pedient to call the grand jury
now or at the opening of the
new term of the district court.
May 15.

GERMAN MARTINET IS
TO BE TRIED FOR MURDER

By Associated Press.

Berlin, April 15.—A court martial has
been ordered to try Ensign Hussner,
of the German navy, who, on Good Fri-
day, killed an artilleryman named Hart-
man, with his sword, at Esen, for not
saluting him properly, according to
Hussner's version of the affair. Hart-
man was a former schoolmate of Hus-
sner and the latter avers that the ar-
tilleryman attempted gross familiarity
in trying to shake hands with him after

he, Hussner, had arrested Hartman for
the informality of his salute. Then
Hussner adds, Hartman started to run
and the ensign thrust him through the
back with his sword, afterwards say-
ing: "When I draw my sword blood
must flow."

Hussner was written to Hartman's
mother after the killing, and was com-
manded by the court to not saluting
him as respectfully as he desired.

In Hussner's notebook were the names
of several privateers who must have been
captured by the ensign, for not saluting
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MILLION DOLLAR FIRE
IN BEAUMONT OIL FIELD

By Associated Press.

Beaumont, Texas, April 15.—A careless workman kicked over a
lantern at one of the Caldwell oil wells on block 38; Hogg-Swayne
tract on Spindles Top, this morning, and started a fire that resulted in
the loss of property valued at \$1,000,000 and the bankruptcy of 20
or more of the smaller companies. There were 175 wells on the
three blocks of the tract and only five of the derricks and pumps are
left standing. Every company that had property in the Hogg-Swayne
tract is a loser. The fire swept the three blocks, covered with der-
ricks and pump houses, clear of all its buildings. The derricks left
are on the edges and are few and far between. None of the com-
panies had a cent of insurance. No settling or storage tanks were
burned, as there were none on the Hogg-Swayne tract.

The fire started near the southern edge of block 38 and spread
three ways. Pumping stations, derricks and pipe lines as far before
it. Large engines and thick pipe melted in the heat. It is estimated
that 170 of the wells sustained an average direct loss of \$3,000. This is
exclusive of half a million dollars more, the aggregate loss in pro-
duction and other indirect damages.

Fifty or more wells probably are ruined by the dropping of tubing
into them as a result of the fire. Among the losers are:
London Oil and Pipe Line company, Caldwell Oil company, Spindles
Top Power company, Central Power and Equipment company, Pumping
Stations Dividend Oil company, Detroit-Beaumont, Palestine-Beaumont,
Sun company, Advance Oil company, Queen City, Queen of Waco,
Drummers, Alamo, Buckeye, Ground Floor, Manhattan, Borealis, and
Buffalo.

All pumping rigs, derricks and pipe line equipments were de-
stroyed. Extensive losses were sustained by owners of drilling rigs,
among whom were H. B. Ford, Cartwright Oil company, John Markham
and J. W. Ennis. Mr. Ennis estimates his loss at \$15,000 and others at
from \$1,000 to \$4,000. The Texas, Sun, London Oil and Pipe Line,
Guffey, Higgins and other companies lost heavily through damage to
their pipe lines. The Haywood tract was saved only after hard work.

LEE ROLLENS FOUND DEAD UNDER
BRIDGE AT RAILWAY CROSSING

The Theory Is That Fall
Killed Him but Post
Mortem Will Be Held
Today.

Also a letter addressed to him from his
mother.

The letter from his mother asked him
to come to Denver and take care of
her. She stated in it that she was
crippled and was unable to do anything
for herself. The letter to Gray was
opened and in it Rollens had told him
he was going to Denver Saturday
night after his mother, and asked Gray
to get him a room. His pockets were
searched but not a cent was found. He
had a cheap silver watch which was
still running when he was picked up.

According to information received at
police headquarters the dead man had
lived in Colorado Springs only about six
months, having come here from Ken-
tucky. He worked steadily whenever
he could get anything to do and at one
time worked on the new court
house building. He was a powerful
man, being over six feet tall and weigh-
ing over 200 pounds.

One theory of the police is that Rollens
was on his way to the postoffice to mail
the letter to his mother, and was cross-
ing the bridge when he fell. He was
under the bridge when he was found.
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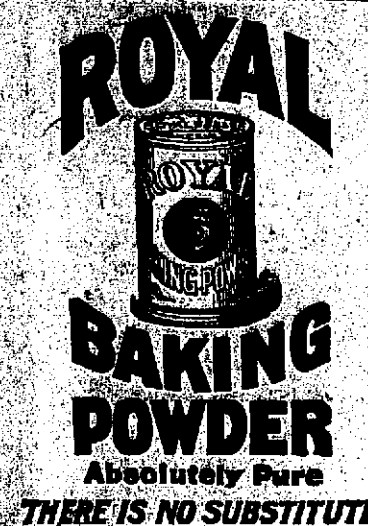
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PROF. CHEETER DEAD.
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ological museum and professor of chem-
istry and mineralogy at Rutgers College,
died today of pneumonia. He was 58 years
old.



There is no substitute

After Months of Experimenting

Water Is Found at Poor Farm

The county commissioners have finally

succeeded in striking water at the poor

farm. They have not only struck it,

but in the diving of a well which they

are digging for the purpose of supply-

ing water to the house, they have been

most delighted with it.

For months the commissioners have

been trying to strike water. They had

already dug two wells and started

others, but without success. The present

well was sunk two or three days ago

and the water has gone down but

where the water is coming in is so

fast that they are kept at work pump-

ing it out in order to keep the well dry

enough to dig further. It is esti-

mated that the water is coming in at

about thirty feet from the surface.

The well is sunk at the base of a small

hill and it is the theory of the com-

missioners that the water is stored

up in a cavity in the hill.

For the purpose of the commis-

sioners to construct a reservoir on the

side of the hill into which the water from

the well will be pumped, and from there

it will be pumped to the house.

The reservoir is necessary

owing to the fact that the reservoir

would probably be used as a swimming

pool by boys in the summer and the

water thereby rendered unfit for drink-

ing or cooking.

MARRIED IN CALIFORNIA

The marriage of Miss Elizabeth

Hogland to Mr. Horace Taylor

was taken place at noon to-

day in the Church of the Angels,

Pasadena, Calif. The bride will

be unmarried and she will be

simply attired in a dress of

gown. The Rev. Mr. Pastoris

will remain on the Pacific coast

for six weeks or two months be-

fore coming to the Springs, their

future home.

Among the relatives of the

bride and groom who will be

present are Mr. and Mrs. William

J. Hogland, the father and

mother of the bride; two grand-

children, Mr. and Mrs. Hay-

den, a sister of the groom,

Mr. and Mrs. Francis D. Pas-

toris and Sharpless Pastoris.

Case of Elstaken Identity

Is Making Life Burden

The "Comedy of Errors" is having a

serious effect on the life of a gen-

tle man who unfortunately has names so

much alike and who writes such similar chro-

nicles that Max Straus of Denver is con-

tinually taken for Max Straus, instructor

of the fire department of the same city.

Especially is this the case since Fire Chief

Roberts insisted on turning in his resig-

nation because of a quarrel with the phys-

ical director, Max Straus, the acting

fireman, was at the Antlers yesterday

A man wanted to know, and who thought

he could prevail upon Mr. Straus to tell

him the inside history of the trouble,

said that to the man who had been

sentenced down in a hurry. He

walked briskly from the elevator to the

desk of the referee and holding the card

in his hand and looking at the man who

seemed to be the same man, he said with a weary

and impatiently bored air:

"You may not be aware of it, but this

is the hundred and twentieth time

I have been taken for the physical direc-

tor of the fire department. On

this trip, whenever I am the object of

general curiosity, I am the object of

the very stupidest of my en-

quiries. I am in the state, and in the

past his relatives have sought me out, and

always say this except my voice is not

as strong as that of my brother, for kind

people have told me that I bear a remark-

able resemblance to the author of the

fire force."

A man apologized and Mr. Straus re-

lented from the apologetic with which he

went out the incident, saying: "It is

provoking to feel that you are walking

in another man's shoes, but when I get

back to Denver I am going to call upon

Mr. Straus and see if I can arrange

some scheme by which this 'Dromic' busi-

ness can be done away with. They al-

ways ask me what I am doing to the po-

lice, and if my superiors on the po-

lice board have got to go, since it seems

to be the fiat of Governor Peabody."

Mr. Straus walked hurriedly over to the

porter and gave him instructions to see

that his baggage was plainly marked

with the name of "Max Straus, Denver,"

the athlete."

BLOOM OF JOY IS APPOINTED

CLERK OF U. S. LAND OFFICE

John F. Vivian, recently appointed

surveyor general, has been authorized

to appoint 10 new clerks in the mineral

division of his office. The clerks se-

lected are Bloom C. Joy, formerly with

the firm of William A. Otis & Co., of

this city and a member of the National

club of Colorado Springs, but now of

Denver; Charles J. Pease, John L.

Walsh, Helen L. Crilly, S. W. White,

Mary J. Mitchell, Eva H. Chapin, J.

V. Spindler, Harrison L. Houser and

T. C. Corcoran. These clerks will be

included in the classified service im-

mediately upon appointment. Mr. Vi-

vian telegraphed the land office last week

requesting authority to discharge 15

clerks and appoint 15 new ones but the

request was refused by the general land

office, and he was instructed not to

discharge any of the clerical force now

in his office except for cause, but in-

stead of the 15 new clerks he was au-

thorized to name 10 new clerks in the

mineral division.

TRAIN REACHED SUMMIT

OF PEAK YESTERDAY

The first train up Pike's Peak for this

season carried 30 passengers, most of

them being visitors in Manitou and Co-

lorado Springs. The water tank on the

top of the mountain was frozen so that

it was necessary to shovel snow into

the engine tank in order to keep up

steam. On the return trip the train

was about an hour late on account of

the little snow on the mountain. The

train was not on the mountain until

about 10 o'clock. The second train daily

will not be put on until about May 15, when

the traffic is expected to increase suf-

ficiently to warrant the running of two

trains.

Pickett, the Negro Murderer Is

Declared Guilty the Second Time

R. D. Pickett, the negro murderer of

Frank Davis and Minnie Rivers, was

declared guilty in the district court

yesterday for the second time. Pickett

was declared guilty in the same court

about five years ago. He killed Davis

and Minnie Rivers on September 18,

1896, at Chippie Creek and shortly after

was tried and convicted. He pleaded

guilty at the time and was sentenced

without the introduction of any evi-

dence. He was sentenced to the peni-

tentiary for life. He was later re-

leased on bond and has since been

in and out of the penitentiary. He

was again brought to trial yesterday

on the charge of murdering Davis and

Rivers. He was again found guilty

and sentenced to the penitentiary for

life. Under this law Pickett made ap-

plication for a new trial and his ap-

plication was granted.

At the trial which came up yester-

day before Judge Cunningham, Pickett

withdrew his general plea of guilty to

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Evidence was introduced in the case

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Last Will and Testament

OF
WINFIELD SCOTT STRATTON

SINCE the settlement of the Stratton will contest many requests have been made for the re-publication of the will. In response to these requests the Gazette prints the document once more in full.

Know all men by these presents, that I, Winfield S. Stratton, of the county of El Paso, State of Colorado, being in full possession of all my faculties and of sound and disposing mind and memory, do hereby make, publish, acknowledge and declare my last will and testament, hereby revoking any and all other and former wills by me at any time heretofore made.

First: I hereby direct that my remains shall be buried in the lot owned by me in Evergreen cemetery at Colorado Springs, El Paso county, Colorado, by the side of my sister, Mrs. Anna Chamberlin, and that a suitable monument be placed and that a final resting place, and that my funeral and burial expenses and all just debts and liabilities shall be first paid out of my estate.

Second: I hereby give and bequeath unto my nephew, Carl Stratton Chamberlin, son of my said sister, Mrs. Anna Chamberlin, New York, all my household furniture, including all articles of my personal property, jewelry and ornaments, heirlooms, pictures and paintings, and all books, manuscripts, letters and documents in which I shall die seized. This bequest does not include my general personal property, moneys, credits or evidences of indebtedness, or things in action, or debts, mortgages, contracts, shares of stock, or any title or other documents that may be useful to my executors in the settlement and distribution of my estate.

Third: All the rest, residue and remainder of the estate of which I may die seized, of whatsoever nature, real, personal or mixed and wheresoever situated, I give, devise and bequeath unto my executors hereinafter named, in trust, however, to be used and disposed of by them in the manner hereinafter stated.

I direct that my said executors shall, as soon as they conveniently can, and within the period required by law, after my decease, sell and dispose of all the real and personal estate of which I may die seized and which is by title vested in them in trust, at such prices and upon such terms as to them or to the majority of them shall seem most advantageous, hereby giving and granting unto my said executors or unto the majority of them full power and authority to make, execute and deliver to the purchasers such proper deeds and instruments of conveyance, acquittance, relinquishment and transfer as may be necessary to vest in the purchasers full title to the property so sold and disposed of.

Fourth: I direct my said executors to pay over and deliver to my nephew, Earl W. Hamlin, son of my deceased sister, Mrs. Harriet N. Hamlin of Jeffersonville, Clark county, Indiana, the full sum of fifty thousand (\$50,000) dollars out of the proceeds of my said estate.

Fifth: I direct my nephew, Harry B. Hamlin, son of my said sister, Mrs. Harriet N. Hamlin, the full sum of fifty thousand (\$50,000) dollars, out of the proceeds of my said estate.

And if either of said legatees be deceased at the time of my decease or before the payment of said legacies as herein directed, I direct my said executors to pay to the heirs at law of such deceased legatee the whole amount of the legacy of such deceased legatee.

Sixth: I direct my said executors to pay to my sister, Mrs. Jennie Stratton Cobb, of San Jose, Santa Clara county, California, the full sum of fifty thousand (\$50,000) dollars out of the proceeds of my said estate.

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The Harvest of the Lilies

By Warren Harper

OVER THE SEAS from the dream-islands of Bermuda comes sailing, toward the last of March, many a ship laden with those stately lilies that on Easter morn we see blossom forth in all their glory from the altars of our American churches. Very few of these flowers are native-grown; practically all of them first see the light of day in that mid-ocean garden spot to the south. And the people of the United States, with the love they have for the beautiful things that symbolize an event or a season, spend annually at this time of the year upward of half a million of dollars for these delicate blooms that reign supreme for a day and then lapse into personal sleep.

It is said that the lily, which we invariably associate with Easter and with the Bermudas was originally brought here from Japan, but be that as it may, a generation or two ago this lily was as common there in the islands as the May daisy in our New England fields. Nobody thought of it as worth special cultivation, or as a profitable article of commerce. The gentle climate and the rich volcanic soil caused it to thrive in a marvelous fashion. It lent beauty and sweetness to every acre of the small islands, but the native saw in it neither a symbol of the resurrection nor any particular emblem of purity and spirituality. He was more interested in the equally fragrant Bermuda onion and in the potato, two products that time out of mind have proved the chief sources of revenue to him.

And then the American tourist came along, and according to his recognized habit, began to exploit things. He conceived the idea that a few of these glorious lilies would be good things to ship home as gifts to flower-loving friends, which is like the way they have in Florida of sending orange blossoms north. So he sent some, with his compliments of the season. The first few attempts were not successful; the blossoms on reaching their destination were hardly in a healthy enough condition to have made the express charges worth while. But shortly, by enclosing the blossoms in sealed metal boxes, it was found that they were fairly certain to come through in good condition.

This practice of the tourists of sending floral mementoes soon served as a hint to the florists who for a long time had been trying to discover some method by which the Bermuda lilies might be successfully imported into this country. Simultaneously with this the native gardeners came across an accidental bulb horticulturally called a "sport," which opened up great possibilities by blossoming earlier than the other varieties, and by being more robust and prolific. With an unlimited American market only two days' sail away, lily growing thus immediately became an important industry in this isolated British colony. Anglo-Saxon push and a weekly line of steamers between the Bermudas and New York have achieved the rest.

Bermuda is Bermuda, and its Easter lily is so bountifully with us at this season of the year all because the Gulf stream in its great sweep across the Atlantic, saw fit to run close to this small group of volcanic peaks, which 700 miles due east from Charleston, S. C., rise abruptly from the bottom of the ocean and project their picturesque heads for a little above the waves. The total area of the Bermudas is scarcely more than 24 square miles, and yet because of this warm current passing by, things grow there to an astonishing extent. It is doubtful if anywhere else in the world there is another 24 square miles that produces half so much. Everything seems anxious to get out of the ground ahead of time. March has no sooner appeared on the calendar than the Bermuda hillsides are covered with the richest green tones of springtime. While we in the north are suffering through the "winter of our discontent" the Bermuda blower looks forth and feasts his eye over broad fields of blooming lilies. And a pretty picture they make! As far almost as the eye can see they stretch away like a sheet of pure alabaster, the surface of which aways leeches up and down in the breeze, waiting to you a perfume of heavy fragrance that suggests the possibility of being in the gardens of Paradise.

But it is one thing to see the scene on a cruise to the 700 miles out to sea, and quite another thing to transport their beauty and fragrance to the home

our American cities. No task in the floral world has proved so difficult to accomplish. The trick of learning how to land on the Atlantic seaboard at just the right moment these millions of flowers, has been a costly one. Thousands of dollars and blasted blossoms beyond number have had to be sacrificed. Most of the responsibility, however, has to be shouldered nowadays by the grower in Bermuda, although the express companies must step up and settle if any unnecessary delay or any lack of proper care occurs while the flowers are in transit. In shipping their goods the growers are called upon to carefully inspect each plant and bud, throwing out all those that are not in prime condition, and forwarding only the ones that are perfect in every respect. Despite these precautionary measures there is still left more of the speculative element in the lily trade than in almost any other branch of business. Even the most experienced and skilled Bermuda planter will tell you that he has nursed his posies along this year, exactly, so far as he knows, the same way he did last season, and yet against all explainable reasons they have refused to mature in time for the Easter trade or have matured too soon. A few days one way or the other in bringing his lilies into condition means all the difference between profitable success and absolute failure with him. There are no half-way stages in his business. If his output is not ready at the very moment he wants it, he might as well have raised scarecrows in his fields as lilies.

A bad storm or two on the Atlantic in March is as serious a thing as can well happen to the Easter lily trade. It is certain to throw out of schedule the transportation facilities, and a steamer that is unable to sail from Bermuda on time or that reaches New York when Easter is a thing of the past, can do scarcely more than to throw its erstwhile precious cargo overboard. It is unforeseen events of this nature, together with the occasional utter failure on the part of the growers to force their plants into season, that causes the American lily-buying public to resent on some Basters the seemingly exorbitant prices that are charged.

Although the regular Bermuda lily holds sway throughout the land as the saint among flowers for Easter, the old-fashioned calla lily is still much in evidence and much in favor. In the west and middle west, where the Bermuda blossoms cannot readily reach, its vogue is undiminished. Southern California is as famous for the culture of this variety as Bermuda is for the other type. Unlike the over-sea lily, the calla cannot stand much crowding. If any particular plant fails to receive its full quota of soil and sunshine, it becomes at once a weak, sprawling affair, destitute alike of beauty and blossoms. When well cared for, however, as it is in the many splendid hedges that surround so frequently Pacific residences, it is a thing over which no other lily can boast superiority.

It is possible in the near future that the laurels of lily growing may be snatched away from the Bermuda gentry. Of late years, along the coast of the Carolinas and in certain sections of Florida, the government has been quietly experimenting with lily culture against the possibility of growing them in this country. No small measure of success has attended these efforts. The proper soil and a favorable climate has been found in many localities, and if the department of agriculture succeeds in making its plants ripen simultaneously or ahead of the over-sea product, the Bermuda monopoly will be a thing of the past. (Warren Harper in the Pilgrim)

Extravagant Easter Gifts.

While the craze of giving and collecting souvenirs on every possible occasion is generally looked upon as being exclusively American, yet in one respect at least Russian women beat the American women out. Among the Russian aristocrats the custom of giving and collecting Easter eggs is universally followed, and some have carried it to an almost extravagant extent.

Both the dowager empress of Russia and the young zarina have become collectors of Easter eggs, and the dowager's collection is valued at \$1,000,000. The young zarina's collection is valued at \$500,000. The dowager's collection is valued at \$1,000,000. The young zarina's collection is valued at \$500,000.

Alexander III, the father of the present czar, never failed to observe the custom, and the result is that the dowager's collection is valued at \$1,000,000. The young zarina's collection is valued at \$500,000.

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HENRY WATTERSON'S ADDRESS.

COLONEL WATTERSON'S address before the Hamilton club in Chicago on Thursday evening was a sane, scholarly and eloquent discussion of a very important question.

The subject of his discourse was "Peace Between the Sections," but it was really in large measure a discussion of the negro problem in the south. Colonel Watterson was, as he always is in his public discussions, in the best of humor, and presented the matter from the standpoint of the southerner, but at the same time temperately, and with due consideration to the views of northerners who differ with him.

He believes, as all southerners and many eminent northerners believe, that negro suffrage, at least so far as the south is concerned, is a failure. A black man, if he votes at all, votes as he is told to vote by unscrupulous and designing politicians. The south does not intend to be ruled either by negroes or by the lowest grade of Republican politicians.

It is true also, as Mr. Watterson suggests, that the negro problem in the north and south is a widely different one. It is the difference between a theory and a condition. It is also true that white men who are the strongest sort of Republicans in the north, vote the Democratic ticket for self-protection before they have been in the south for 12 months.

The never-ending political agitation over the negro vote and the unscrupulous use which is made of that vote in the south is one of the greatest hindrances to the advancement of the negro that can well be imagined. Instead, therefore, of suffrage being helpful and valuable to him, it is now a source of evil and degradation to him. The people of the south are entitled to a great deal of credit for what they have done for the thousands of black men who are in their towns and villages all over that great section. They have enabled him to become self-respecting, to earn a livelihood, to better his conditions in many ways. They give their hearty assent and support to the work of such men as Booker Washington—men who are not striving to interest the negro in politics, but to teach him useful trades and arts and customs.

Colonel Watterson's views upon this subject are not merely those of a representative southerner. Hundreds of northerners agree with him upon his main propositions. Among them are many eminent members of the Republican party, which party alleges itself to be the especial friend and guardian of the negro. These men have the courage to stand firmly for what they believe to be the correct attitude toward the negro and for his best interests. They will serve as a rebuke to those hot-headed patriots who would disrupt a peaceful and prosperous country to give the black man something which he does not want and which he cannot, in his present state of training and education, utilize to the best advantage of himself or his country.

THE PENNSYLVANIA LIBEL LAW.

IN QUAYVILLE, sometimes known as the state of Pennsylvania, a bill has been introduced and passed by the senate designed to prevent the publication of articles or pictures alleged to be injurious to the character or reputation of citizens of that state.

Inasmuch as the state of Pennsylvania is an oligarchy, owned and controlled by one man, it is natural that we should expect some such law from such a state.

While the bill is apparently innocent enough on its face, its real design is to prevent the publication of any facts concerning the notorious boodling which has so long disgraced the annals of that state.

Naturally, when the newspapers print a man's record showing that he has amassed a large fortune from shaking political plum trees, he should be at least annoyed, and no doubt would be able to present quite a case of physical and mental suffering, in accordance with the provisions of this act.

His financial circumstances would be such that he could employ high-priced medical talent to show that on such and such a date he was afflicted with a certain amount of anguish as the result of certain statements in the public press. No man is wholly happy when his misdeeds are brought to light, and under the provisions of this act he would be permitted to sue and recover damages from newspapers which had the temerity to state the facts. The press has had a good deal to say in past years concerning the peculiarities of Quay, Ashbridge and the rest of them, and it has no doubt been a source of annoyance to these rulers. They would now make it a matter of "lese majesty."

Nevertheless, the newspapers of Pennsylvania are not disposed to abandon all their rights, and are making their presence felt in the legislature in a very vigorous manner. It is to be hoped as a result of their efforts that there will still be left a free press in Pennsylvania, even if a free and honest ballot is a thing of the past.

JOHN REDMOND AND THE IRISH BILL.

JOHN REDMOND, an Irish member of parliament, made an important speech in Dublin Wednesday night upon the Irish land bill. Mr. Redmond takes the view that many of his friends and friends of Ireland hoped that he would take. While the Wyndham bill is not in all respects satisfactory, it is so far ahead of anything previously tendered by the British government that it should be welcomed by all who have the true interests of the Emerald Isle at heart.

An attempt will be made to amend the measure in parliament in some of its many details, and some of the amendments may be carried. But even in its present form, the bill gives promise of some relief from the burdens which the tenants have been carrying for so many years. An outright gift of \$60,000,000 and long-term payments upon the balance of the purchase price will give the Irish farmers a chance to buy their lands for little more than they are now paying for rental.

Mr. Redmond makes a strong point which ought to be heeded by friends of Ireland everywhere, and that is that the land bill and home rule ought to be considered as separate and distinct measures, and that one should not be confused or made contingent upon the other. The fact is, that with a country full of small but happy land owners, home rule will be much more practicable than it is at present.

The children of the Madison, Wis., schools are out on strike. They seem to think that an entire day in school is too much for them, and that they should not be compelled to remain longer than a half a day. We greatly misjudge the parents of the city of Madison if they do not issue an ultimatum at once, and in the event of its being rejected, that they will do a little striking themselves.

THE PRESIDENT'S OUTING.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT is now in Yellowstone park for a stay of 16 days. During that time he expects to tramp or to ride over a large portion of the park and to enjoy a genuine holiday. All speech-making, all cares of state, all social functions of one kind and another are to be laid aside, and the party will rough it in the most approved style.

In the president's party is John Burroughs, the naturalist, who is always at his best when he is near to nature's heart. Undoubtedly both he and the president will make many new and interesting discoveries while they are attempting to cultivate nature in this great reserve.

Not even the newspaper men nor the private secretary to the president are in the party, and inasmuch as a company of United States troops are enforcing the president's desire for seclusion, this will probably be an occasion when the press of the country will all be "scopped." There is nothing but a single strand of telegraph wire to connect the camps of the chief executive with the outside world, and nothing will be referred to him unless it be of greatest importance. As a matter of fact, the business of the country ought to be safe enough for two weeks in the hands of the president's cabinet, so that his outing may be undisturbed.

It is a very pleasant thing that Mr. Roosevelt has been able to take this trip. The cares which rest upon a chief executive demand a complete rest often than in almost any other position which can be named. Very few presidents, however, have been willing to take a holiday in the complete and novel fashion in which our present chief executive is taking it.

The American people will all hope that President Roosevelt will have a delightful and interesting outing in Yellowstone park, free of accidents or unpleasant incidents, and that he will be greatly refreshed and renewed in body and spirit as a result thereof.

THE CARNEGIE LIBRARIES.

M. R. CARNEGIE'S purse seems to be open toward the west, and especially the Pike's Peak region. He has already given \$50,000 to Colorado Springs and \$10,000 to Colorado City, and now the cheering news comes that he has agreed to add \$10,000 to his gift to Colorado Springs, and is very favorably disposed toward Manitou.

It is not at all improbable, therefore, that there will be three Carnegie libraries in process of erection in these three cities at once. The Colorado Springs committee has made on the whole a wise selection in the General Palmer site on Kiowa street. It is only one block north of Pike's Peak avenue, about a block and a half west of Tejon street. It is, therefore, in a fairly central location as regards all quarters of the city.

Inasmuch, therefore, as both the site and the library building are gifts, it behooves the general public of Colorado Springs to see that the library has a fitting complement of books. The energies of all interested in the public library should now be turned in this direction.

A NEW HEADSMAN.

THE GENIAL John F. Vivian seems to have learned his lesson tolerably well and is now an ardent advocate of the theory that to the "victors belong the spoils." He is anxious to shine as a wielder of the ax. Having secured through his party pull the lucrative and not overburdensome office of surveyor general for Colorado, he is anxious to "fix the boys." He has evidently made a great many promises which he must fulfill.

At least this is the only logical reason that can be given for his desire to oust the clerks in one of the large divisions of his office before they come under the civil service act and thus make room for others who will be fixed for years to come.

Fifteen Wolcott clerks out; fifteen Vivian-Goudy-Fairley clerks in. This is the point toward which the new surveyor general appears to be aiming. It is a very uplifting spectacle, is it not? A few clerks, earning a livelihood, who are in office under the spirit if not the letter of the civil service law, are to be sacrificed to make room for other clerks who are no better but who belong to another wing or of faction of the party.

Inasmuch, however, as it is very evident that the removals are made for the purpose of evading the civil service law, it is not at all likely that the department of the interior will sanction Vivian's attempt to wield the ax in such a barbed and reckless manner.

A FRIEND OF CO-EDUCATION.

COLLEGE presidents, like stars of lesser magnitude, differ in their views of educational subjects. Not long since, Chicago university, with the advice and consent of President Harper, decided that it would be wise to segregate the male and female students and compel them to obtain their education and carry on their courses of study in different school buildings.

Now comes President Jordan of Leland Stanford university who declares that co-education is better than segregation. "Co-education is not a matter of the sexes, but a tendency of mind. Men, excel in originality, women in dexterity. It is better to have them thrown together, so that each can get the benefit of the other's type of mind. If we could drop the social butterflies and do nothing dandies off from the campus most of the evils of the university system would disappear."

So far as Colorado institutions are concerned, co-education has proved a success. In fact, it is only in this way that most women are able to secure a liberal education, for few of them are able to afford the expense involved in a four-years course at one of the women's colleges in the east.

The death of Rev. W. H. Milburn, the blind chaplain of the senate, brings home the fact that a man may be a marked success in his profession and make a name for himself despite the fact that he is deprived of some of nature's most valuable aids. When a very young child he began to lose his eyesight, but, nevertheless, went to school and studied steadily until in his 20's he became totally blind. Notwithstanding this, however, he continued his work in the ministry and on the lecture platform, and became a figure of national prominence. He was an able and eloquent speaker, and had friends by legions throughout the country.

THE COUNTRY NEGRO'S ADVANTAGE.

The average city negro grows up in the shade. He is completely overshadowed by his towering environment. As one walks along the streets of our great cities and views the massive buildings and sky-reaching structures, he finds no status for the negro above the cellar floor. The city negro of education and culture is forced into menial employment because of the higher forms of occupation are preempted by the more favored class. There are a dozen competitors for every dollar in sight, and in the great majority of cases the negro is handicapped by his color.

The country negro, on the contrary, is on terms of equality with his environment. He is not confronted by suggestions of inequality at every turn. Nature is a mother who is equally kind and beneficent to all of her children. An acre of ground will yield as much for the black as for the white tiller. The markets are color-blind. No one inquires into the color of the producer of the best produce in the market except as a matter of local curiosity. No labor organization has yet placed a boycott upon negro farm labor. The farm offers for the negro the only really unhampered field which is open to him on an unlimited scale. (Southern Workman)

SHORT STORIES.

How It Really Happens.

"Johnny," cautiously inquired Mr. Sixweek of her little brother, when he called the other evening—"she" was putting the finishing touches to her toilet up stairs—"have you ever done your hair?" "I don't ever hear your sister speak of me?" "You can't pump me," promptly replied Johnny. "I don't butt into my sister's business."

Then Johnny picked a shiny stick out of the half rack and went out. This is the way it happens in 999 cases out of 1,000, but the funny part is the colored supplements could never be clucked into believing it.—(Exchange)

Looking for a Wife.

A Mississippi man sent the following letter in answer to a matrimonial advertisement: "In inclose my photograph and description. It shows the features as nachel as can be only it is to Dark; I am very little. Complexion, Gray eyes, Indian hair 6-foot high, weight 134 Lbs, Inclined to corpulency. I am a Muskrat Man and a widower 28 years old, with A Common School Education, but have Got Anot to Attend to Enny Business. I am Strictly Moral. Don't use Tobacco Nor Whiskey. I am anxious to get a wife. I will take care of her. I will be a good husband, wait, and All Suits me to state. Kind Loving Girl. I have Only One Thing to Offer. And I is Neither Lands Nor Gold. But a Strong Arm and True Heart. I will take care of you. I will be the Rite Girl and Be happy, for I am tired of living Alone. The Girl that Steals my Heart and takes my Name for the Remainder of My Life I will make Happy. I will be a good husband, wait, and All Suits me to state. Kind Loving Girl. 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"You can realize how we might suffer from famine, for all our supplies must be brought from Fort W—, 100 miles away, and our only hope was that the army physician, a young man who had formed a warm friendship with my father during the week we spent at the fort just before coming to the village, might remember us in our desolation. We children adored him, and I, then about 12 years old, remember an offer I made to wait for him and felt exceedingly important when he answered that he should appear some day and take me at my word."

She paused a moment. "Isn't that enough?" she asked. "Oh, no!" cried a chorus. "Just get into a thrilling story and leave it unfinished. That is dreadful!" exclaimed John Belden.

"On the afternoon of the second day after our return, as our anxious eyes were eagerly scanning the snow-covered prairies and hills for some sign of aid, we saw a dark object slowly moving toward the village. It seemed hours until it came near enough to discern a government wagon and four mules, and longer still before it came up over the hill leading to our house, and we ran eagerly forward to meet, as he sprang from the seat—the doctor from the fort. After satisfying himself that we were all alive and well, the wagon was unloaded of supplies and mail—everything in the world it seemed to us worth having—and then the doctor told us of the strange premonition of danger to us that had come to him two nights before in a dream. He awakened from a deep sleep, and calling his man-servant David, from his bed, said to him: 'David, I fear that the Beldens are in greater need of help. We must go to them at once.'

"They arose and prepared everything to start at dawn, and after two days' hard travel reached us. To this day we all think of him as our life preserver. Dear Doctor, I often wonder where he is."

Mrs. Jarvis paused with moist eyes, and Beulah Carrington asked softly: "But did you not soon leave that terrible place?"

"Yes," answered the narrator; "as soon as the snow melted sufficiently."

"But what became of that lovely doctor?" asked Mrs. Belden, with interested eagerness.

"He was ordered south two years later, and we never heard. That was 20 years ago."

Dr. Hamilton got up so suddenly that his camp-stool was overturned. "Pardon me, Mrs. Jarvis. I see you do not remember me."

"Dr. Hamilton was actually smiling as he held out his hand and looked down into Mrs. Jarvis' astonished face. "One such experience in a lifetime is not likely to be confused with any other, so we may well wino old acquaintance," he continued cordially.

"Dr. Hamilton! I cannot believe it," cried Mrs. Jarvis, springing to her feet, amid a chorus of amazed exclamations from all sides, elicited by this romantic discovery. "It does not seem possible!" she continued—incredulously, as they shook hands warmly. "The world is not so wide after all, is it?"

"Why didn't you reveal yourself sooner, Dr. Hamilton?" asked Mrs. Belden, gayly, as they trooped toward the mess wagon a few moments later, in response to a call to supper.

"It would have been a pity to interrupt Mrs. Jarvis' story, wouldn't it?" replied Dr. Hamilton. "I was too much interested to do that."

But Jeanette Belden whispered to her neighbor at the table as they sat down: "Now, John Belden, I dare say you don't have a little romance on our hands before the summer is over." But Mrs. Clarkson shrugged her shoulders and smiled knowingly.

The bright summer days were slipping by like golden beads upon a silken string, and the mountain season was drawing to a close; although five weeks had passed, no one deigned to suggest breaking camp. The perfect days were spent in rambles after berries and flowers which were growing in such abundance among the wooded hills and canons, and fishing rods were in constant demand, for the finest trout abounded in the clear, cold, mountain streams. The young people were never at a loss for agreeable pastimes, of course, and Dr. Hamilton himself had been heard to declare that it was as good as Paradise as a mortal man could desire. The gentleman took turns in going occasionally to the city in quest of such creature comforts as tobacco and cigars, trust newspapers and other necessities, thereby maintaining communication with the outside world.

One warm afternoon in August, Dr. Hamilton and Mrs. Belden were absent on a trip to the city, and Mrs. Belden and Mrs. Clarkson were sitting under a tree in their hammock, with crochets and a basket of grapes, indulging in confidential gossip. The two ladies, with Mrs. Jarvis, remained to keep camp, for all the others had gone that morning with the two surgeons further up the valley on a picnic.

"Where did Mrs. Jarvis take herself after lunch?" asked Mrs. Belden, as she put a skein of zephyr over her friends' hands, to wind.

"She took a little basket and said she was going after some berries, but she seemed to want to be alone, so I did not offer to go," answered Mrs. Clarkson, glancing up at the heavy clouds gathering over the sky. "I thought this might be one of her sad anniversaries," she added sympathetically.

"Perhaps the day her husband died. Poor girl! She has seen sorrow no doubt. She evidently must have been deeply sorrowed. I wonder, though, why she wears black, you notice, and she has been a widow five years," returned Mrs. Belden, softly.

"Yes, she married very young. Her husband was nearly twice her age, but a wealthy man," continued the other, adding anxiously, after a pause: "But I do wish she would come back, for it is going to rain."

Just as she finished speaking, a peal of thunder rolled loud echoes along the canons, and scarcely had it died away when the rattle of wheels and sound of voices were heard, and a light covered wagon appeared through the trees.

"There are John and the doctor," cried Mrs. Belden, jumping up and dropping her yarn. "Oh, I am so glad, for I do dread these mountain rains and thunderstorms."

Mrs. Belden ran forward to meet the travelers as they drove up to the largest tent, which was used as a sort of baggage room. Mrs. Clarkson disengaging her hands from the half-wound skein of zephyr. The two gentlemen sprang out, and after hastily greeting his wife, Mr. Belden said hurriedly as he and the doctor began unloading the wagon: "I hope the ladies are all in camp. We're going to have a big rain. It's been pouring down the valley, tremendously. Hamilton and I had to build our bridge to cross at Porter's, this morning."

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"If you would let me have a water-proof I might walk up the mountain in that direction and possibly meet her, and save her from a drenching in this rain."

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nothing, really," began Mrs. Jarvis, rising with it the silence that had threatened to become embarrassing.

Teddy arose to the occasion.

"Friends, Romans and countrymen, I rise to declare that we may live without love, and worry along without books, but camping parties would not manage very well without cooks. I move we adjourn to supper." (A plauso) — whereupon John Bold bawled over to the mess wagon and inquired regarding its progress. Harry the cook, coming within convenient speaking distance, answered that on account of the large number of troops to prepare, and a mishap to the first batch of biscuits, supper would not be ready for half an hour.

This announcement elicited much grumbling from the men, but it was reluctantly. "But if you'll forgive me for being personal, I can convince Mr. Decker that she is enjoying all the comforts of home in this camp. I remember, as though it were but yesterday, the day we arrived in that Indian village, where father went to gather



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material for a book. To do this I took mother, myself and two young sisters and for nearly a year made home among the Indians to study their habits and customs. A born missionary at heart and a skillful physician, he soon endeared himself wonderfully to those wretched people.

Who says the Indian is incapable of affection? I never saw more touching devotion, more sincere attachment than that displayed by those creatures towards my father and mother. We lived in their midst — one of their squalid dwellings, changed by Christian civilization into a home for a humble one — ministering to them during the dreadful scourges of smallpox, comforting the dying, aiding the suffering, and when famine came upon them, the readiness with which they shared with us their miserable food — their pitiful measure of corn, would make your heart ache to know.

"Imagine the sorest straits to which a human being could come, when I would prepare for food the very dogs and donkeys, which had been his companions! Poor old Padre Kino! Exhausted and shriveled with the weight of ninety odd years, he followed my father, lay upon what he thought was death-bed, one hundred miles from where we came away. "My son; son!" was his lament. And yet the say the Indian is best when dead."

She looked up, smiling, but something bright glistened in many an eye. John Bolden and Dr. Hamilton had evidently exhausted their confidences, for they were seen looking towards the ground. Mrs. Jarvis was too much absorbed in her recollections to heed much going on around her. "I must hurry to my camping part," went on the narrator, "or you will be ready to believe me a humbug. Quite late in the winter a heavy snowstorm set in, and the men fell for days continuously, threatening us with new peril for which we were entirely unprepared. It was the probability of being so blockaded with us as to be unable to cross the mountains to Fort W., where we obtained our supplies. Several weeks passed and twice the Indians made an effort to reach the fort, but returned after losing 20 or 25 miles. Our extremity became alarming, for our provisions were running low, and the Indians could afford us but little help, for they were poor and suffering themselves. At nine weeks my parents, in desperation, resolved to make one last attempt to cross the mountains; so hiring a team and an Indian, they packed our wagon with a few necessities and our remaining provisions, a little bacon, and several loaves of bread, and with our children set out on the journey from which might be no return.

"All day we plodded laboriously along through great unbroken drifts of snow, over a trackless stretch of tundra. Just as night began to fall the Indian stopped, and looking on his shaggy head he nodded decidedly.

"Senior," he grunted in Spanish, he waved his brown hand before them; "there we cannot go."

"He pointed to the oxen, standing in snow to their knees.

"They cannot do it," he added, more emphatically. I remember when good-natured a high cliff — and close the shelter of this the wagon drawn and with sinking hearts my parents realized that their effort

reach help were from us, and we returned to the village the next day, even were loosed, and a huge fire, kindled for fuel was scattered all in abundance. After our frugal supper the Indian dug a hole in the ground for his own slumbers, while my father, so feebly that he could hardly walk, remained outside to watch and keep the fire, for upon warmth depended our lives. We children nestled about our mother, sat close to the front of the wagon, share my father's vigil, for he was compelled to walk constantly back and forth to resist the effect of the cold upon him, if he remained inactive for even a short time.

"And so passed the night of the greatest peril to us all, and it was indeed a camping experience of which even young as I was, could in a measure realize the horror, and the remembrance of it can never leave my mind. I never see a white-topped wagon tent but it all comes back. Never daybreak welcomed me so gladly as morning, though it was only to turn our faces homeward to meet what we could not tell—dared think.

"You can realize how we might suffer famine for all our supplies were brought from Fort W—, 100 miles away, and our only hope was that army physician, a young man who formed a warm friendship with father during the week we spent at fort just before coming to the village might remember us in our desolation. We children adored him, and I, at about 12 years old, remember an hour made to wait for him and felt exceedingly important when he answered that he should appear some day to take me at my word."

She paused a moment. "Isn't enough?" she asked. "Oh, no!" was a chorus. "Just get into a third story and leave it unfinished. The dreadful!" exclaimed John Belden. "On the afternoon of the second after our return, as our anxious eyes were eagerly scanning the snow-covered prairies and hills for some aid, we saw a dark object slipping moving toward the village. It seemed hours until it came near enough to discern a government wagon and mules, and longer still before it came up over the hill leading to our home, and we ran eagerly forward to meet as he sprang from the seat—the doctor from the fort. After satisfying him that we were all alive and well, the wagon was unloaded of supplies—mail—everything in the world seemed to us worth having—and the doctor told us of the strange sentiment of danger to us that came to him two nights before in a dream. He awakened from a sleep, and calling his man-servant, told him, said to him, 'On the return, that the Benfield is in great peril and needs help. We go to them at once!'

"They arose and prepared every to start at dawn, and after two hard days' travel reached us. To this day all think of him as our 'life preserver.' Dear Doctor, I often wonder where he is."

Mrs. Jarvis paused with moist eyes, and Beniah Carrington asked so. "But did you not soon leave that terrible place?"

"Yes," answered the narrator, "soon as the snow melted sufficed."

"But what became of that doctor?" asked Mrs. Belden, with interested eagerness.

"He was ordered south two weeks later, and we never heard. That was 20 years ago."

Dr. Hamilton got up so suddenly, his camp-stool was overturned, and he, Mrs. Jarvis, I see you do remember me—"

"Dr. Hamilton was actually surprised as he held out his hand and stepped down into Mrs. Jarvis' astonished arms. "One such experience in a lifetime not likely to be confused with any other," he said, as he well claimed. "Dr. Hamilton!" he continued, "I cried Mrs. Jarvis, springing to her feet amid a chorus of amazed exclamations from all sides, elated by this rediscovery. "It does not seem possible," she continued, "incredulously, as she shook hands warmly. "The world is not so wide after all, is it?"

"Why didn't you reveal your sponsor, Dr. Hamilton?" asked Mrs. Belden, as they trooped toward the mess wagon a few moments later in response to a call to supper.

"It would have been a pity to interrupt Mrs. Jarvis' story, wouldn't it?" replied Dr. Hamilton. "I was too interested to do that."

But Jeanette Belden whispered to her neighbor at the table as she sat down, "Oh, Julia Clarkson, I have seen you! I don't have the faintest chance on my hands before the story is over." But Mrs. Clarkson shook her shoulders and smiled knowingly.

The bright summer days were passing by like golden beads upon a silken string, and the mountain was drawing to a close; although weeks had passed, no one detected any suggest breaking camp. The days were spent in rambling adventures and flowers which were given in such abundance among the hills and canons, and fishing rods in constant demand, for the fishes abounded in the clear, cold mountain streams. The young people never at a loss for agreeable pastime of course, and Dr. Hamilton had been heard to declare that he had nearly Paradise as a mortal could desire. The gentlemen took to the forest occasionally to the quest of such creature comforts as mushrooms, truffles, and other delicacies, thereby maintaining communication with the outside world.

One warm afternoon in August, Dr. Hamilton and Mr. Belden were

on a trip to the city, and Mrs. B. and Mrs. Clarkson were sitting under a tree in their hammock, with crockery and a basket of grapes, indulging in a confidential gossip. The two ladies, with Mrs. Jarvis, had remained to keep camp, for all the others had gone that morning with the two boys further up the valley on a party.

"Where did Mrs. Jarvis take her ride after lunch?" asked Mrs. Belden.

"She put a skein of zephyr over her friends' hands, to wind."

"She took a little basket and she was going after some berries; she seemed to want to be alone. I did not offer to go," answered Clarkson, glancing up at the clouds gathering over the sky, which she thought this might be one of her anniversaries," she added sympathetically.

"Perhaps the day her husband died?"

"Poor girl! She has seen sorrow doubt. She evidently mourns for the life she has lost. I am sure you notice, and she has been a few years," returned Mrs. B. softly.

"Yes, she married very young. Her husband was nearly twice her age, a wealthy man," continued the other, adding anxiously, after a pause: "I do wish she would come back, and be going to rain."

Just as she finished speaking, a peal of thunder rolled loud echoes along the canons, and scarcely had it died away when the rattle of wheels and the voices were heard, and a lighted wagon appeared through the trees.

"There are John and the doctor," cried Mrs. Belden, jumping up and dropping her yarn. "Oh, I am so glad to see you! I dread these mountain storms."

Mrs. Belden, an forward to meet the travelers as they drove up to the tent, which was used as a storage baggage room. Mrs. Clarkson, gazing her hands from the half-skein of zephyr. The two gentlemen sprang out, and after hastily greeting his wife, Mr. Belden said humbly as he and the doctor began unloading the wagon: "I hope the ladies are in camp. We're going to have a rain. It's been pouring, down the valley, tremendously. Hamilton and I to build our bridge to cross at Porters this morning."

Mrs. Belden was helping her husband for already the big drops were coming down, and Dr. Hamilton was leading the horses away when Mrs. Clarkson joined them.

"Your ladies are all safe in camp," said the doctor, stopping a moment to greet Mrs. Clarkson.

"On the contrary, every one here replied Mrs. Clarkson. "The people all went picnicking this morning and are undoubtedly safe, but anxious for Mrs. Jarvis. She went to the mountain to the berry patch that has been three hours ago. Mrs. Clarkson's face showed that she felt, and she fancied that Hamilton's own countenance bore a slight shadow of solicitude."

"If you would let me have a proof I might walk up the mountain that direction and possibly meet and save her from a drenching rain."

Mrs. Clarkson readily assented, hastened to the tent for Mrs. Belden's waterproof, while Dr. Hamilton tied the horses over to shelter and she returned. He was back in agreement with an umbrella, and at the tent door as she gave him a wrap and he began to descend the valley, as the doctor left the camp strode rapidly away up the mountain with a grave, resolute look on his face.

"I suppose we ought to go to town this week, Jeannette," John den was saying to his wife, who seated herself upon a pile of burlap in the baggage tent to look over the contents of the letter-bag. Mr. Belden laid down his last load—a quarter of fresh beef carefully sewed up in a bag—as he spoke and turned to his wife's inquiring look.

"Hamilton will be obliged to me tomorrow, and of course we must permit him to go alone. The valley is his furlough is about up and he is to get back home next week. I insisted on coming out again with my fancy on the widow," and Mrs. Belden smiled meaningly. "You must go to get our things together. I think we'd better go. But we must hurry the others."

Meanwhile Dr. Hamilton was busily making his way through the tangle of scrub-oak, wild plum and whose dripping branches were laden with clematis vines, rendering it less rather difficult, but it was from his direct course that he was familiar with the path. A small stream, a tiny stream, along mossy banks grew wild and abundant, and stopping looked at him. Hearing no sound but the pour of rain, and seeing no one, he shouted repeatedly, but in vain. He continued along the bank, and at a little farther he reached again; but this time "Bessie! Oh, Bessie!"

Dr. Hamilton almost shuddered at his own temerity. What if he should bear him!

"Doctor! Oh, Dr. Hamilton!" cried a frightened voice, audible amid the noise of the storm and under a huge, wide-spreading tree he saw Mrs. Jarvis, standing broad stone, waving her hands energetically.

"How did you happen this way, asked, eagerly. "I thought you not to return until tomorrow."

He looked up gratefully as he approached.

"We came in a little while ago," found Mrs. Clarkson, anxious for her safety, and because it was well to stop up this way, as it was so near the tent to meet. He pulled the doctor, and as he went explained the waterproof and why about Mrs. Jarvis' shoulders.

"How exceedingly kind of you to think of me," she said, smiling at this drenching rain. I would have very wet. As it is, I have not escaped."

And Mrs. Jarvis' face with her handkerchief.

driving rain had overtaken her as she reached shelter.

"You should not have ventured far alone, Mrs. Jarvis," began to say reproachfully.

"Oh, I am very brave," she answered, looking up as they drew under the thickest branches; she met the look of grave tenderness in his eyes, as he bent over her lying beside him, her face grew pale and she felt her heart beating.

"I am glad you are alone, the said and Dr. Hamilton kept his eyes fixed on her face. "For I have something to say—that I must say before I go away."

"Go away!" echoed Mrs. Jarvis faintly.

"Yes. Tomorrow I must leave work calls me back; but I wish to know that I may come to you as I please."

"—for you, Bessie, for you must love you." He bent so low, that she drew her gently near him, that she touched her hair and his voice came to her.

Mrs. Jarvis put her hand under her throat, and he could see she was blushing as she turned from him almost gasped: "Oh! Dr. Hamilton what have I done!"

She felt that this man best loved her in terrible earnest, and stood for the few hushed moments followed, anxiously watching her pale face and the emotion she strove vain to conceal, a gust of hot tears surged up and brimmed over her cheeks. She dashed them away, but her breast heaved with suppressed sobs.

"Mrs. Jarvis—Bessie, dearest," Dr. Hamilton, alarmed at the emotion he had unwittingly excited, said, "is there nothing so terrible as to feel that I go great a sin as you? Are the only women who have ever entered my life, and in youthful passion that I have to you with the offering of my heart to you to accept my heart of life. God only knows what that means, Mrs. Jarvis, but if—if it is me to win your love—I—"

He broke off suddenly, his hands busy with feeling, and took her face in his to look earnestly at her.

"Bessie," he whispered, "and—kindly."

In the dark eyes that turned to his gaze, Philip Hamilton read the response of the heart he hoped but there was also a look of sad sadness as Mrs. Jarvis spoke, tenderly, almost pathetically, "I know what you are asking, a deep shadow on my life that make it sinful in me to cast it as noble as yours. I fear I can make you happy."

Dr. Hamilton pressed her gently, as he answered: "Oh, one! You do not comprehend love I bear you. It is mighty to dispel all shadow—if you will."

"I dare not say I love you, Mrs. Jarvis despairingly; "for only make it more bitter away—the greatest blessing ever come to me. Listen! Yours of my father's feeble hand the last met in that terrible place never recovered fully from the tension and exposure. Several children came after that, and the fortunate investment swept away savings of years, and we were pushed on and help making. I loved all you this for you loved my father and when he made me to marry a wealthy man won our hearts by great pecuniary assistance, I consented, although quite old. The marriage was nuzzled beside father's death bed and the children should never die did not take long to find out he married a base man of the world soon wearied of a pretty child, and turned back to the habits."

"Without even the blessing of heaven I was left alone, for I to feel bitterly my husband's pointment. And oh, the hurt the disgrace I felt when he was one night and did not return me for another, and he returned was simply a shameful way of leaving the divorce which was inevitable. I would have done to the end—but my life is ruined."

Mrs. Jarvis sank down on a mossy rock at the foot of the covered her face, almost trembling hear her lover's answer to her but he stood silently regarding a moment, then said slowly and nestly:

"My little one! I understand your heart is heavy with thoughts of bitter memories, but why not permit me to help you live—to devote myself to your life if you love me—I do not wish that."

She did not answer and he but now sadly.

"Perhaps," she should not trust with even a thought of living young life with mine; perhaps younger than I can some day heart and make life worth living foolish to hope to win the love so lovely as you, when a man along in the journey of life, Jarvis raised her head and her hands to meet his, as she silently:

"No, no! I pray you, do that! I love you better than I love you so that it is death to go! But it is this that drives me to say that I cannot marry lives—he who cast me off. The station is ever present with me. I could not regret having me. I could not bear that."

She clung to his hands, and bowed her head, a few moments later, he said quietly:

"Come, let us go!" And gently, they went down the together. Silently they came little within sight of some time distance below. Milton stopped.

"One more word I would say to remember after we are in God knows that what you would, not after my feelings, but I dare not pursue it might bring regret or pain."

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It was Easter tide, and the
sunny morning spoke of love
and hope in the birds and flow-
ers, who, when once eagerly,
were coming again to gladden
after the long sleep of winter.
Jarvis felt the influence of the
season as she came in from the
service, humming a portion of
them. A bright smile wreath-
ed her lips as she found the home let-
ter came weekly; beside it, another
familiar handwriting, and, as
usual, when opened eagerly, to
be filled with fragrant vio-
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hidden among them was opened.
Mrs. Jarvis read the lines, I
vividly back the memory of
summer since past, and she
tenderly of the one far away
whom the sweet blossoms bore
sage more dear to her heart
the written words:

"Oh, promise me that some-
and I
Will take our love together
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Where we can be alone and
new,
And find the hollows where
flowers grew;
Those sweet violets of early
That come like whispers, thrills
and sing
Of love unspeakable, that is true,
O, promise me! O, promise me!

They were the words she
that summer night by the
little dreaming how dear the
become to her one day. She re-
letter to her lips and closed
and breathed his name and
sounded in her ears those tend-
"When you are ready, Bessie,
find me waiting!" Waiting!
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tired, sad people, all waiting
ing for what?

"Happiness—unattainable;—
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fortune that never is found;
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the grave."

But to the patient, the brave,
strong there comes a reward-
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s faint not." Her dream in-
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Belden entered. "Why, Jeanne,
brings you?" cried Mrs. Jar-
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"I want you to go into the
said Mrs. Belden, trembling
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left the room.

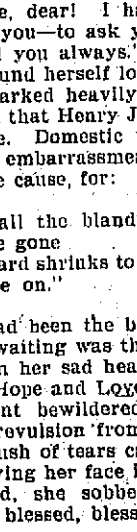
"Bessie! My dear little
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Hamilton's eyes, and his
around her. "Bessie! he
tenderly. "You need not kee-
ing. See, dear! I have the
comfort you—to ask you fo-
to shield you always."

She found herself looking
paper marked heavily with
and read that Henry Jarvis
a suicide. Domestic unhap-
financial embarrassment were
to be the cause, for:

"When all the blandishment
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The coward shrinks to death
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a moment bewildered, dared
sudden revulsion from sorrow
then a rush of tears came to
and burying her face in the
still held, she sobbed: "O
What a blessed, blessed day!"

"You don't hear much now,
the liquid air," that was
such wonders."
"I guess, after all, it was
hot air."—(Philadelphia, Fre-



THE RACE


Does not depend on the start
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Generally "stomach trouble"
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MINES AND MINING

PORTLAND NO. 2

Special to the Gazette. April 8.—Full operations have been resumed on the Portland No. 2, where an accident several weeks ago practically demolished one of the big reels of the engine, causing heavy damage to the shaft, boiler and plant of machinery. The shaft since that time has been worked at only half capacity. The first part of next week a new tramway that is to be used in conveying waste rock from the No. 2 shaft will be completed. The tramway will be operated by electric power on the trolley system and is a new arrangement to the district for disposing of waste rock. The buckets dumping automatically while in the shaft and returning to the house. This improvement will effect a material saving and likewise extend the dumping grounds for No. 2 property, which in the past has been greatly crowded, especially in winter when the dumps are very advantageous for years, the tramway being 1,000 feet in length. The Portland mine is now producing more ore than the mill at Colorado City, can handle, and if the mine was worked to its full capacity, the mill would have to be twice as large as it now is.

The lower level of the Golden Circle mine is showing up better than any of the others previously opened. Only one of the veins in the main system has been opened as yet. This vein is what is known as the Legal Tender vein, and when the level was extended to the ore body it showed much better grades and thickness of the vein than any other. The economic chlorination reduction mill located on the west slope of Squaw Mountain is now employing some 125 men, working at its utmost capacity, there being 225 tons of ore treated each day.

O'Connor & Duffy, operating on a block of the Mary McKinney ground, sent out a carload shipment of ore to-day, from which values of \$40, to the Portland mill, where it is being treated. Blongren has sold his quarter interest in the McFarland lease of the Burns to Mike McCreedy and Lewis Burns. James Neidham also parted with his holdings on the same lease to the same party.

Work is being pushed on the Ophelia tunnel at the rate of some 14 feet a day.

NEWS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM LAKE GEORGE DISTRICT

The Apex Copper company, owning property in the Lake George district, is installing a plant of machinery for the purpose of concentrating the ore. The 20-horse power boiler has already been installed, the brick for the purpose having been shipped from Colorado City. A few days ago as reported in these columns, and brought several samples upon their return. Assays as high as 60 per cent copper have been obtained, and are generally runs \$4 per ton in gold.

H. J. Newman returned last night from a visit to the Tarryall company's property in the same immediate section. He reports a good showing and great activity in the entire district. On the property owned by F. M. Clancy and associates, a big flow of water was struck a few days ago. It became necessary to close down. The company will put in pumps as soon as possible to take care of any water that may come in in the future. The water level in the mine is now looking for in the district as it is claimed that the large bodies of copper will be found from that point down.

Work Grants New Lease

The Work company has recently granted a lease on the Poorman claim to Cripple Creek people and work will be started at once. The new leasees are to work through the Tarryall section. The lease is for three years, somewhat longer than the usual period. It is expected, also, that work will be started on the south half of the Poorman by other leasees and a shaft will be started. The company is shipping constantly and the royalties are also in shipping ore and a strike is expected in these latter days. The company is also in the market for a lease on the Tarryall section, which is being worked by the Davenport company, shipping constantly and the royalties are also in shipping ore and a strike is expected in these latter days. The company is also in the market for a lease on the Tarryall section, which is being worked by the Davenport company, shipping constantly and the royalties are also in shipping ore and a strike is expected in these latter days.

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S. B. Stewart is preparing to start work on his properties near the Highland Chief and Mayflower. He now has in eight immense bodies of low grade ore which he believes will greatly improve with depth.

J. H. Williams has secured a lease on the Boston & Cripple Creek property, which is now being worked in the ground the coming week on quite an extensive scale.

Ingham Shipment

Hughes and associates who secured a lease on the Ingham ground about two weeks ago, sent out a carload shipment of ore for their work, as yesterday they made their initial shipment of one carload of ore which was billed to the Ingham sampler, and from assays taken, it will run in the neighborhood of \$40 to the ton.

The pay streak runs from 18 inches to two feet in width, and was first encountered near the 300-foot level, where the leasees are now working intensively, and also doing considerable development work. Another shipment is being saved which will be sent out in the course of 10 days.

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Lease on Waterloo Claim

Reiton and others have secured a lease on the Waterloo claim of the Amalgamated company, located on Bull Hill, and will shortly commence operations on the prospect ground. When this is done, development will be commenced and it would not be a surprise to mining men if this fractional claim should be worked to the point where it is in the right section to look for good ore.

On Lafayette Claim

The Cripple Creek Mining company, which is operating a lease on the Lafayette claim, is now in the process of ceasing magnificent returns for their labor that has been done on this ground. A winze sunk 350 feet from the 500-foot level is in ore all the way, and a very good showing is now being shown whether deep mining in the district pays.

Compromise Shipment

Charles Perkins, leasing on the Compromise section of the Zenobia company, will start a shipment of ore in the morning. Also 15 tons of rock that will run in the neighborhood of \$150 to the ton. This ore is being mined from practically shallow shaft, and by present appearances looks like a big bonanza. A fortune is in the property for each of the leasees.

COLORADO CITY IN LAKE GEORGE DISTRICT

G. W. Ott of Colorado City, has been authorized to act as agent for the Mavrick Mining & Milling company of that place. The company is now being organized under the laws of Wyoming with a capital stock of \$150,000 and operations are to be carried on in El Paso and Park counties. The directors are George W. Ott, C. D. Taylor, Leo Norcross, A. Jamison, J. H. Redenbaugh, J. H. Bierley, J. L. Payne and William Dewey. Mr. Ott is secretary of the company.

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